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MOTOR CAR OVER A HILL LADY'S ESCAPE

VEHICLE TOPPLES OVER EMBANKMENT ON PEAK A DROP OF SIXTY FEET

Miss M. W. Bascombe, of No. 4, Queen's Gardens, was the victim yesterday afternoon of a motor accident which might easily have resulted fatally but for her exceptional good fortune.

The lady was driving her own car, an Austin Seven (No. 269), down from the Peak along Stubbs-road at 2 p.m. when the mishap occurred. As the car reached the junction of Gough Hill and Craigmin-road, Miss Bascombe turned into the latter road under the impression that she was taking the main road.

It is not clear how the accident was brought about, but almost immediately the car entered Craigmin-road, Miss Bascombe realised that the Austin was making straight for a steep embankment by the side of the road.

Shot Over the Hillside

Before she could swerve the car or apply the brakes, it had already shot out of the side of the road and toppled down the hillside. About half way down the hill, Miss Bascombe was thrown from the car, which continued to fall right to the bottom of the hill, a height of 60 feet.

Miss Bascombe's fall was checked by a tree and assistance was summoned to her by Mrs. Greenhill who saw the accident from the verandah of the house. It was then found that Miss Bascombe's left wrist was fractured, and she had also sustained some bruises on the body. Willing hands helped her up the hill, and then she was taken to the Victoria Hospital. The lady was, of course, badly shaken by her terrible experience, but her injuries are not considered serious. The fracture of the wrist was a simple one, and it is not expected that it will affect the use of her left hand.

Car Body Wrecked

The Austin Seven's body was completely wrecked as the result of its coming to rest at the bottom of the hill with the four wheels upturned.

But for being thrown from the car half way down the hill, Miss Bascombe might have been very seriously injured, if not indeed killed instantly, as she would have had the whole weight of the car on her.

ON WRONG SIDE

A.S.P. AS COMPLAINANT IN CAR CASE

"LITTLE OVER THE BORDER"

Mr. W. R. Scott Assistant Superintendent of Police, was complainant, before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistracy, this morning, in a case in which the Chinese driver of motor car No. 558 was summoned for being on the wrong side when turning into Jackson-road from Chater-road.

Defendant admitted that he was "a little over the border," because there were two trees.

The Magistrate said that the trees were out of the question, as defendant could have gone right round them.

Mr. Scott said that defendant turned the corner at a moderate speed but on the wrong side of the road. His (Mr. Scott's) car had just got out and was turning towards the Club when defendant's car appeared, the front of defendant's car being actually in front of witness's left front wheel, and if he did not pull up immediately there would have been an accident.

Replying to the Magistrate, Mr. Scott said that the offence occurred at about 7 p.m.

Remarking that he had been waiting for an accident "at that corner for a long time," Mr. Hamilton convicted defendant and told him that if Mr. Scott did not stop his car he would have "hit him 'amidship'." The only point connected with the offence which saved defendant was that he was going at a reasonable speed. If there had been evidence that defendant was going fast he would have been fined \$50.

A fine of \$15 was imposed, and his Worship asked defendant to "please see that he did not come up to Court again." There was a lot against defendant, and if he got into trouble again the Police might cancel his licence.

CAR SPEEDING

WARNING TO DRIVERS IN KOWLOON

A FINE REDUCED

The fine of \$35 imposed on Mr. L. A. Carvalho, of the Great Northern Telegraph Co. for speeding in Chatham Road was at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning reduced to \$25 by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith.

In addressing the defendant his Worship pointed out that it was at his own instance that he reduced the fine, as he thought it was a bit heavy. What made him angry, continued his Worship, was the way in which Mr. Carvalho had spoken to and abused Sergeant Scrim.

His Worship added that it did not justify Mr. Carvalho, who he knew, had lost his temper, but he was sorry not to have taken into consideration the remarks of Mr. d'Almada, who made a complete apology on behalf of his client to Sergeant Scrim.

Breaking Records

Continuing his Worship related that there were certain young men in Kowloon, who enjoyed speeding and trying to break records, by travelling at an excessive speed. The most objectionable feature was their trying to resent police officers doing their duty. That was preposterous and childish. He had known of a man who had lost his child through an accident. The next person charged with a similar offence would be fined still heavier.

As regards the signs in Chatham Road his Worship pointed out to Mr. Carvalho that they were there simply to warn motorists of children in the playground. There could be no argument on that point in view of these notices.

FAST BUS!

SPEEDING IN SHANGHAI STREET

ACCIDENT AVERTED

The driver and conductor of one of the Kowloon Motor Bus Co.'s buses were summoned at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning before Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith.

The driver was summoned for speeding in Shanghai-street and without warning turning into Public Square-street, thus causing a danger to the pedestrians.

Sub-inspector R. McWalter pointed out that he was travelling on his motor cycle in Public Square towards the Yaumati Police Station when the bus came out of Shanghai-street. Had it not been for his putting on both brakes on his motor cycle there would have been in all probability been an accident.

His Worship: What an absurd way of driving. You know very well that there are lots of people darting about in that street. Fined fifteen dollars.

The conductor was summoned for failing to wear his badge.

His Worship: Why did you not wear it?

Defendant: I had it in my inside pocket.

His Worship: There you are, you see; it is so hard for the Police to summons you. You are fined two dollars.

RACING LORRY

55 MILES IN CHATHAM ROAD

MIDNIGHT SPEED

That he had pulled up a "little bit" and lessened his speed was the excuse offered by the driver of lorry No. 825, who was summoned for speeding in Bulkeley Road and Jordan Road, respectively.

Sergt. Scrim, of the Traffic Department stated that the defendant had come from the slaughter house with a load of pigs and was travelling at a speed of about 30 m.p.h. He then followed him and when the defendant came into Chatham Road he increased his speed to 55 miles per hour. He next turned into Gascoigne Road, thence he went on to Jordan Road where Sergt. Scrim stopped him.

In admitting the charge the defendant stated that it was midnight and there was no traffic in Jordan Road.

To this the prosecuting officer replied that midnight was just as busy as noon.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$35.

DR. WU'S RESOLUTION OPPOSED

OBJECTION RAISED

QUESTION OF SO-CALLED UNEQUAL TREATIES

TO BE RULED OUT?

Geneva, Yesterday.

A somewhat complicated position has arisen in connection with Dr. C. C. Wu's resolution. The agenda committee which is discussing it, inclines to favour the ruling out of the resolution for the present session.

Objection has been raised on account of the resolution's very general character. The opponents of it express the opinion that if the Chinese delegation has in view the so-called "unequal" treaties concluded with China, this should have been stated in the resolution.

The discussion is continuing.

Reuter.

[At the Assembly Dr. C. C. Wu proposed the appointment of a committee to consider the best means of making more effective Article 19 of the League Covenant in regard to the revision of obsolete treaties.]

Extrajury and U.S. Rights

Washington, To-day.

A Note from the Chinese Foreign Ministry, in reply to Mr. H. L. Stimson's despatch in regard to extra territoriality, says that the Chinese Government would protect American rights in the event of an abandonment of extra territorial privileges.—Reuter's American Service.

SOME SPEED!

SCHNEIDER AIRMAN INCREASES RECORD

STAINFORTH DESCENDS

London, Yesterday.

Whilst attempting a new speed record at Spithead Squadron-Leader Orlebar averaged approximately the same speed as on September 10.

Flight-Lieut. Stainforth renewed his attempt but descended prematurely due, it was understood, to a defective petrol system.

[Squadron-Leader Orlebar returned an average speed of 355.3 miles per hour, beating the record of the Italian, Major de Bernhardt, by 37 miles an hour. Flight-Lieutenant Stainforth returned an average speed of 336.3 miles per hour.]

His Fastest Lap

London, To-day.

It is now discovered that Orlebar made a new speed record of 357.7 miles an hour at yesterday's speed trial, his fastest lap being 365.1 m.p.h.—Reuter.

COAL INDUSTRY

A SERIOUS SITUATION NOW DEVELOPING

POSSIBLE INTERVENTION

London, Yesterday.

A serious situation is developing in the coal industry in consequence of the Mining Association's rejection of the Miners' Federation request for a national agreement. The men demand the inclusion in such agreement of a seven hours day without loss of pay and a minimum wage.

The employers contend that a national agreement is impracticable on economic grounds. The need for a settlement is emphasised owing to the fact that existing district agreements operating in four of the largest coalfields expire at the end of the year.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, in a speech last week-end, urged the owners to discuss the national agreement. The Federation yesterday decided to renew the request for a meeting with the owners. If refused again the Government is likely to intervene.—Reuter.

LESS WORK

ITALIAN DICTATOR GIVES UP POSTS

NEW MINISTERS CREATED

Rome, Yesterday.

Signor Mussolini has relinquished six portfolios—the Foreign, Air, War, Marine, Colonies and Corporations.

The respective Under Secretaries have been appointed Ministers.—Reuter.

A beautiful German woman belonging to a gang of thieves who stole £100,000 worth of jewels, which have been recovered from a Lisbon shop, is believed to have been murdered by her accomplices to avoid paying her share of the booty.

WILL BRITAIN & U.S. AGREE?

NAVAL PROPOSALS

CRUISERS FOR DEFENCE 'POLICE' PURPOSES

PREMIER CONFIDENT

New York, Yesterday.

The Washington correspondent of the "New York Times" summarises the latest British naval proposals as follows: Great Britain requires 50 cruisers for defence "Police" purposes. She proposes limiting herself to fifteen 10,000-ton vessels, making up the balance of 340,000 tons with smaller vessels. The United States will be limited to eighteen 10,000 tons vessels and will make up the disparity with small cruisers.

The correspondent states that the United States is not favourable to the proposal, preferring 10,000 tons vessels with a wide steaming radius.

The conferences continue at Washington, whence new instructions are expected to be forwarded.

OCCASIONAL RAIN

This morning's report from the Royal Observatory states: The anti-cyclone is now central to the north of Hokkaido. Pressure is relatively low over the China Sea.

Forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh cloudy; occasional rain.

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NOTE TO SOVIET

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DR. F. PIERCE-GROVE'S ESTATE

VICTIM OF TYPHOID

LEAVES \$65,000 IN HONG KONG FOR HIS WIDOW

ADMINISTRATION LETTERS

Dr. Frederick Pierce-Grove, M.D., D.P.H., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., who was principal of the firm of medical practitioners, Drs. Jordan, Pierce-Grove, Aubrey, Macgown, Anderson & Durran, Alexandra-building, when he died in St. Paul's Hospital (the French Convent Hospital) from typhoid on May 5 this year, left \$65,200 in Hong Kong.

Under his will, he leaves everything to his widow, Mrs. Dorothea Mary Pierce-Grove, who is not in the Colony, and who is nominated sole executrix.

As her lawful attorney, Mr. Edgar Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings, Denny & Bowley, has been granted letters of administration (with will annexed).

Dr. Pierce-Grove was 55 years of age and was joint Master of the Fanling Hunt, of which he was one of the promoters.

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NIGHT TRAINS?

NEW SCHEDULE NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION

BANDITS SCARCE

From investigation made this morning, the "China Mail" was officially informed that there is no truth in the report appearing in the "Canton Gazette" to the effect that night expresses will be once more put on the run from Hong Kong to Canton and vice versa.

Sections Co-Operate

In an interview with the Traffic Manager of the K.C.R., our representative was informed that the running of the express trains had always been made in co-operation with the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese Administration). When the bandits were infesting certain areas along the Chinese section, a request was then made to the K.C.R. (British section) to despatch the express train from Hong Kong earlier in the afternoon so that it could pass the "dangerous zone" before dark. Accordingly the express train's departure was changed to 3.20 p.m.

Reassuring News

Recently a communication was received from the Chinese section saying that bandits along the line had been "wiped out" and that there was no occasion to fear an attack. In view of this reassuring news, the K.C.R. are now considering the advisability of despatching the express at 6.30 p.m. instead of 3.20 p.m. Nothing definite has been arrived at yet.

COASTERS COLLIDE

FRENCH & NORWEGIAN SHIPS AT SWATOW

SMALLER ONE DAMAGED

The smaller of two fairly well-known coasting vessels has come to Hong Kong after being in collision at Swatow.

This is the French s.s. "Gouverneur General Paul Doumer," of 734 tons net, the local agents for which are the Messageries Maritimes. She sustained some damage through the collision which occurred on September 11 as she was leaving Swatow harbour. There was no loss of life.

The other vessel was the Norwegian s.s. "Solviken," of 1,435 tons net. Her local agents (for the owners) are Messrs. Waller & Co., and she is under charter to Messrs. Sang Hee.

According to the Hong Kong office of the Messageries Maritimes, the "Gouverneur General Paul Doumer," which arrived here yesterday, is not heavily damaged. The "Solviken" has not come here yet. She is a fairly regular caller at Hong Kong and is usually on the southern run. The French ship trades between French Indo-China and Chinese ports.

IN A QUANDARY

CHINESE DEALER AND HIS TOBACCO

WAS DUTY PAID?

Whether duty was paid or not it was hard to say, was the remark passed by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, when a Chinese, described as a tobacco dealer, was charged with having two lb. of Chinese tobacco without paying duty for it.

He was arrested at the Mongkok Ferry Wharf yesterday.

Defendant stated that he was taking the tobacco back to the Cheng Chung Ling shop in Hong Kong because it was not the kind that he liked. He had bought the tobacco on August 15.

Sub-inspector James showed his Worship a receipt, and pointed out that, as defendant was a dealer, he should have known whether duty was paid or not.

The defendant remarked that he did not know if the shop where he bought it from had paid the duty or not.

The prosecuting Inspector observed that it was very queer for the defendant to take the tobacco back to the shop after a month's lapse.

His Worship, in stating that it was very vaguely substantiated by the Import and Export Department discharged the defendant and registered a caution. The tobacco was restored to him.

LEAGUE TO ASSIST SMALL STATES

BORROWING SCHEME

LOANS FROM THE INTERNATIONAL MARKET

ANOTHER SOLUTION WANTED

Geneva, Yesterday.

At the Disarmament Committee of the League of Nations to-day Sir Henry Strakosch, a member of the League Financial Committee, explained the working of the scheme of financial assistance for states which were the victims of aggression, and said that financial aid would be obtained by the borrowing Government in the international market, but, in order to fortify the borrowers, credit there would be associated with the credit of all the signatories to the convention, and that of a few financially powerful countries as a kind of over-riding guarantee. The safeguard lay in the fact that the Council's decision must be unanimous. The Council itself must decide the amount of the loan. The obligations of the signatories were purely contingent on default by the borrowing Government, and in the case of special guarantors, on default of the ordinary guarantors also.

Viscount Cecil said that the adoption of the convention, *ipso facto*, would operate as a provisional reduction of armaments throughout the world, and would be a great positive step towards security.

Count Bernstorff (Germany) welcomed the draft of the Convention. It was financially satisfactory, but not politically. He said it would be difficult to define an aggressor. They ought to find another solution.—Reuter.

[On September 6 Mr. A. Henderson, British Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, said that Britain was ready to sign, as soon as it was ready for signature, a proposal for financial help towards nations who were the victims of aggression, and a committee should examine the terms of a model treaty for strengthening the means of preventing war. In regard to Mr. Henderson's statement it was pointed out that the Kellogg Pact, if shown of the reservations appended to it by certain signatories, would place an absolute ban on war, "as an instrument of national policy" except in a legitimate case of self-defence by the nation which had been attacked. The League of Covenant, on the other hand, merely provides under its Articles 12 and 15 that, where an international dispute is submitted to arbitration or judicial settlement, or to inquiry by the League Council, and where the latter fails to reach a unanimous decision on the rights and wrong of the dispute, the individual members of the League are free after three months, from failure to agree, to take such action as they please.]

THEFT FROM DOCK

FITTER'S COOLIE GETS SIX WEEKS

RESULT OF A SEARCH

Lo Wah, a fitter's coolie of the Cosmopolitan Docks, was sentenced by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy, this morning, to six weeks' hard labour for the theft of a quantity of brass scrap and a brass pulley wheel, the property of the Hong Kong and Whampoa Dock Co. Ltd.

Sub-inspector F. T. James stated that the brass was found concealed under the defendant's jacket when he left work at 8 o'clock last night, and was searched by an Indian watchman. Two other brass wheels had since been found missing!

Defendant's record showed that he had served 10 days' jail in 1926.

Sergeant H. Marriott, of the Kowloon Dock Police, informed the "Mail" reporter that the defendant was engaged in working on a large oil ship, to repair the propeller shaft. The brass wheels were used to pull the shaft out. The value of each was \$5.

CHINESE FINANCE

DISPOSAL OF NATIONAL DOMESTIC BONDS

CANTON, YESTERDAY.

At Nanking, to-day, a Financial Conference, composed of officials from the different provinces, will open to discuss the ways and means for the disposal of the \$70,000,000 of National Domestic Bonds for the purpose of disbandment and reorganisation of troops.

It would appear that the provinces wished to have some voice in the matter of bond allotments. Mr. Fan Ki-mo, the Canton Commissioner of Finance, who is at present in Nanking, will delay his return so as to attend the conference at which he will submit his opinion as to the amount of bonds that Kwangtung is capable of dealing with.—Canton News Agency.

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NOTICE.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

EXTRA MEETINGS 1929.

PROVIDED no further unfore-

seen circumstances arise, the

following dates have been fixed

provisionally for the remainder of

the Extra Meetings season:—

Monday, 14th October.

Saturday, 26th October.

Saturday, 16th November.

Saturday, 30th November.

Saturday, 7th December.

The Stewards request the for-

bearance of Members and the

Public with the inconveniences

inevitably attendant upon the

building operations at the Course.

C. B. BROWN.

Secretary.

Hong Kong, 11th Sept., 1929.

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1930.

THE Following Dates have been

fixed for the Annual Race

Meeting of the Club.

24th, 25th and 26th February

and 1st March, 1930.

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POVERTY THAT HIDES

Britain The Most Over-taxed Country

THE TINY MAJORITY

Britain is indisputably the most overtaxed country in the world. The statement that our *per capita* taxation is £15 is presumably based on the division of the total tax revenue by the total population, a method of computation which is more misleading than most averages.

How misleading that calculation is may be gathered from the fact that only 2½ per cent., or just over half a million persons, out of an estimated aggregate of 20 million incomes, pay the whole of the direct taxation, amounting to £412,000,000, which is 66½ per cent. of the total national expenditure.

In addition, this tiny minority of just over 1 per cent. of the total population pays its share, an unascertainable amount, of £250,000,000 indirect taxes on commodities.

The taxation actually paid per head of the taxpayers is a figure very much higher than £15. An odious and dishonest attempt was made by the intellectual Socialists in the discussions on the Finance Bill to stimulate class jealousy by asserting that the taxation of the wage earners is proportionately heavier than that of the capitalist and professional classes.

To prove that the poorer section of the community was paying more in 1925-6 than in 1918-9, while the richer classes were paying less, Mr. Hugh Dalton said that a man with £150 a year was paying in the former year 10.2 per cent. of his income and in the latter year 12.7. "These figures, which take account of both direct and indirect taxation, show that the poorer section of the community were in 1925-6 paying a larger proportion of their income... than immediately after the war."

As the man with £150 a year pays no direct taxation, the statement is either ignorant or disingenuous.

The £2,000 A Year Man

"If we pass to man with £2,000 a year," continued Mr. Dalton, "we find he was paying 28.1 per cent. of his income, he was paying in 1925-6 only 19.3."

As the fact that the poorer man pays no direct taxes was omitted, I stop to ask whether the fact that the rich man does pay indirect taxes was likewise omitted?

A man with £20,000 a year, who immediately after the war was paying 52.3 per cent., was in 1925-6 paying only 48.7. The richer section of the community are paying only 48 per cent. of his income, but ought to be paying 52 per cent. And according to Mr. Dalton the income tax, which the poorer section does not pay, ought to have been continued at the rate of 6s. in the £, the figure necessitated in 1918 by actual war, in order somehow to equalise the rich man's contribution of half his income to the poor man's 12 per cent. on what he chooses to spend in drink, food, smoke and dress!

Luxury Margin

Another member of the Socialist intelligentsia, of even greater authority than Mr. Dalton, evolved an argument to show that direct taxation was not really too high, because the classes who paid it were saving or spending (both in Socialist eyes objectionable) as much as they did before the war! Mr. Lees-Smith stated that "the better-off classes," contributed income-tax, super-tax, and death duties—he omitted stamps—about £450,000,000 a year.

The interest on the National Debt and the Sinking Fund amount, according to Socialist arithmetic, to £300,000,000, but "broadly speaking, the greater part of the interest on the National Debt and the Sinking Fund comes back to the more comfortably off classes of direct taxpayers," which leaves them a nice surplus of £150,000,000, not for saving only but for comforts and luxuries." So that there is still a margin for Socialist taxation!

Mr. Lees-Smith's figures are wrong: the amount of the Consolidated Fund Services plus the Sinking Fund is £391 millions, so that the margin for savings and luxuries is reduced to £59 millions. But it is an entire fallacy to suppose that the interest on the Debt comes back to those whose taxes pay it. Probably half the interest goes to small holders of Government securities, who, as we have seen, pay no direct taxes.

Mr. Walter Runciman tells us that there are 15,000,000 small capitalists, whose savings, deposited in Post Office, Trustee and Railway Savings banks, in insurance companies, in building and various friendly societies, etc., amount to over £2,000 millions. These are the people whose hen-roosts the Socialists will be robbing if they play any tricks with repudiation, or revision, of the rate of interest.

It is, therefore, untrue to say that the richer classes get their taxes back in interest. It is true that the wage-earning classes, who pay the greater part of the £240

millions of indirect taxation, receive back £50 million spent on education and £79 million spent on health, labour, and insurance and pensions. Thus, as Mr. A. M. Samuel clearly explained, the sum of £129 millions, to which both direct and indirect taxpayers contribute, goes entirely to the benefit of the latter.

Bungalow Tax
The tea duty having been abolished, Mr. Snowden proposes to free the breakfast table by abolishing the duties on sugar, coffee, and cocoa, leaving as the sole contribution of the wage-earners to the State the duties on tobacco and alcohol, of which women, now hold the balance of power, only consume small quantities. The revenue now raised by duties on consumption is to be replaced by additions to the income-tax, surtax, and death duties, and a revival of the abandoned tax on site values, which the middle classes will be glad to learn must increase the cost of their bungalows and week-end cottages.

No taxation, however vindictive, can exterminate the millionaire, who, like the genius of literature or art, is a freak of nature, rare and irreplaceable. No millionaire, of the many I have known, has ever been able to explain the secret of his wealth. They roll out platitudes about industry and patience, as if there were not a million patient and industrious men passing between the Mansion House and the Bank every day in the year! The millionaire can no more help snatching the spare cash of his fellows than a cat can help snapping up mice. Take by your taxes seventy per cent. of his income and eighty per cent. of his capital at death: he will only make more.

To economically progressive nations like England and America the millionaire is necessary, and his power will be increased by the cheap share and the small speculator. It is not of him that I am thinking: nor of that vast class who escape the meshes of Somerset House, but who Mr. Runciman tells us have enough horse sense to save against a rainy day. I am thinking of that huge indeterminate class whose incomes, inherited or acquired, range from £500 to £5,000 a year. Clerks, Civil Servants, barristers, journalists, doctors, artists, owners of land, and those of both sexes who live on the interest of investments, writes A. A. B. in the "Evening Standard."

Reward of Self-Denial

These are the people who are hard put to it to-day, with the exorbitant wages and prices of food, to save themselves and their families from sinking to a lower plane of life. There is much misery and grinding poverty behind the lace curtains of Kensington and Bayswater. This is the class whom the Socialists are now about to persecute by taxation and whom the Conservatives dare not defend. This is the class whom Russia has murdered, whom Germany has beggared, and France has stripped. In Britain the rentiers and the middle-class have been safe hitherto. Their hour has come apparently at the hands of the Socialists.

When I try to think dispassionately of the policies of rival politicians I cannot escape the thought that the lust of power has made them mad. The Conservative leaders have forced the decisive voice at the polls upon the least rational and most ignorant section of society. The Socialist leaders are bent upon penalising the cleverest and most prudent section of society by taking from them the fruits of their endeavour and their self-denial.

This comedy is no doubt only a chapter in our history, and it is perhaps a mistake to take it in other than the spirit of Jacques. I have met two fools in the forest, and "moley's the only wear" to-day.

STANDARD TIME.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN COLONY.

Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for Sept. (Standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), are as follow:—

September	Sunrise	Sunset
13	6.00	6.23
14	6.00	6.23
15	6.00	6.23
16	6.00	6.23
17	6.00	6.23
18	6.00	6.23
19	6.00	6.23
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24	6.00	6.23
25	6.00	6.23
26	6.00	6.23
27	6.00	6.23
28	6.00	6.23
29	6.00	6.23
30	6.00	6.23

VOLUNTEERS CORPS

ORDERS FOR THE ENSUING WEEK

TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT

Orders by Lieut.-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., O.B.E., Commandant, comprise the following:—

Officers

All officers are invited to attend at Stonecutters Range on Sunday to witness the firing of Table T. M.G. See Order below.

Musical Table T. M.G.

The Machine Gun Company will fire Table T. M.G. at Stonecutters Range on Sunday.

Range Officer: 2nd Lieut. D. K. Richards. Launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 8.40 a.m. Dress:—Uniform (clean fatigue) or multi optional.

Corps Band

The band will parade in uniform at 9 p.m. sharp this evening at H.Q. for Promenade Concert. Dress:—Cap, tunic, slacks, black boots, belt and cross belt. There will be a full practice parade at H.Q. on Tuesday in mufti at 5.30 p.m.

The Battery

Tuesday—Lecture at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.
Friday, September 20.—Gun Drill at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

Corps Signals

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday for Signal Training. Dress:—Mufti. There will be no parade on Thursday.

Mounted Infantry Company
Thursday.—All ranks will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress:—Mufti.

Armoured Car Company
Car Section. To-day.—Recruits parade under C.S.M. Wilson for driving instruction.

Monday—Parade at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun instruction and firing at Kennedy-road Range. All ranks must make a special effort to attend.

Motor Cycle Section. Monday. All ranks will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. for Machine Gun Instruction.

Machine Gun Company
The Company will parade at full strength on Tuesday at 5.30 p.m. as follows:

Nos. 1, 3, and 4 Platoons at Headquarters for M.G. Training.
No. 2 Platoon proceed from Headquarters to Kennedy-road under 2nd Lieut. Richards, by Ford Truck.

M.G. Table T Part II. will be fired at Stonecutters on Sunday, September 15.

See Order above for new times of departure of launches.

Scottish Company
Parade.—Thursday.—Demonstration and instruction in Machine Gun Table "T".

Nos. 5 and 7 Platoons at Corps Headquarters under Lieut. H. R. Forsyth.

No. 6 Platoon at Kowloon Dock under Lieut. Geo. Duncan, M.B.E. Machine Gun Part 2 Table "T". The Company will fire this practice at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, September 22.

Range Officer: Lieut. George Duncan, M.B.E.

The launch will leave Queen's Pier at 8.30 a.m. calling at Kowloon Police Pier at 8.40 a.m.

Note
Owing to the length of time required to complete this practice, only members of the Company who are specially detailed will be required to parade on September 22. The remainder of the Company will have an opportunity of firing this practice on November 3.

Portuguese Company
Company Parade.—The Company will parade at Headquarters on Friday, September 20, at 5.30 p.m. for training as under:—

Recruits—Miniature Range for Musketry. Dress Uniform. Optional Belt and Rifle.

No. 9 Platoon—Kennedy-road Range for Lewis Gun Firing practice. Dress: Uniform Optional, Belt, Rifle, and Bayonet.

Cap Badges.—Platoon Sergeants will be responsible for the collection of all old pattern Cap Badges and the replacement by the New pattern in their respective Platoons. Returns to the effect that this has been complied with, will be rendered to the O

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AKI MARU	Wednesday, 25th September.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang, & Colombo.	Friday, 27th September.
TOTTORI MARU	Friday, 27th September.
AWA MARU	Friday, 27th September.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	Tuesday, 24th September.
RAKUYO MARU	Tuesday, 24th September.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Ports.	Tuesday, 24th September.
KANAGAWA MARU	Tuesday, 24th September.
NEW YORK, BOSTON via Panama.	Tuesday, 1st October.
TOBA MARU	Tuesday, 1st October.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Constantinople, Genoa.	Friday, 11th October.
LYONS MARU	Friday, 11th October.
CAICUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Sunday, 14th September.
MURORAN MARU	Sunday, 14th September.
GENOA MARU	Sunday, 14th September.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	Monday, 16th September.
KATORI MARU	Monday, 16th September.
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ALASKA MARU	Wednesday, 18th September.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.	Friday, 4th October.
LA PLATA MARU	Friday, 4th October.
BOMBAY—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Thursday, 19th September.
SUMATRA MARU	Thursday, 19th September.
CHIFUKU MARU	Thursday, 19th September.
DURBAN, LOURENCO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	Monday, 23rd September.
CHICAGO MARU	Monday, 23rd September.
CAICUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	Friday, 20th September.
INDUS MARU	Friday, 20th September.
TACOMA MARU	Friday, 20th September.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports from Shanghai.	Monday, 23rd September.
ARIZONA MARU (From Shanghai)	Monday, 23rd September.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	Thursday, 3rd October.
BURMA MARU	Thursday, 3rd October.
HAIKONG—Via Hanoi & Peking.	Thursday, 3rd October.
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 3rd October.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	Thursday, 19th October, 10 a.m.
JAPAN PORTS.	Thursday, 19th October, 10 a.m.
SHUNGO MARU	Friday, 13th September.
AMUR MARU	Thursday, 12th September.
KEELUNG—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Sunday, 15th September, 3 p.m.
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 15th September, 3 p.m.
TAKAO—Via Swatow & Amoy.	Sunday, 22nd September, 3 p.m.
KEELUNG.	Sunday, 22nd September, 3 p.m.
BATAVIA MARU	Sunday, 13th October.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

CANTON GUNBOATS

TO CONCENTRATE FOR MANOEUVRES

ADMIRAL CHAN'S INSPECTION

Canton, Yesterday.
Six gunboats—the "Chung Shan," "Fai Ying," "Hoi Fu," "An Pak," "Hoi Sui" and "Fook On"—have been ordered to concentrate at Whampoa harbour for manoeuvres.
Admiral Chan Chak, in company with Captain Chan Ting, Chief of Staff, and Commander Chan Yin-ning, Chief Adjutant, sailed on the motor boat "Nan Kung" on September 10 to inspect the boats at Whampoa and direct the manoeuvres personally.
It is learned that the Admiral has decided to stay at that port for several days to direct further training. The two naval officers who accompanied him have since returned to their headquarters.—Canton News Agency.

STEAMSHIP TRUST

CHAIRMAN REPORTS SUBSTANTIAL CARRY FORWARD

The 42nd annual general meeting of the British Steamship Investment Trust, Ltd., was held in London, Sir Austin E. Harris, K.B.E. (the chairman), presiding.

The chairman said that the total income of the Trust for the past year amounted to £273,873, less tax, an increase of £23,596, and after deducting Debenture interest and expenses of management £177,722 remained, against £179,516 last year. This slight reduction was largely due to the fact that no revenue had yet been received from some of the new investments made during the year. The investments had been increased by £474,492, and appeared in the balance sheet under 15 classifications, each of which had a higher market value than the balance sheet figure. Of the total, 41 per cent. was invested in Bonds and Debenture stocks, 22 per cent. in Preference stocks and shares, and 37 per cent. in Ordinary shares, which included 9 per cent. in shipping.

The Trust's interest in shipping continued to diminish both in amount and percentage. The investments numbered 578, being an increase of 53 over last year, and amounted in round figures to £4,817,000, showing an average holding of £8,300. The quoted investments amounted to £4,447,000, an increase of £454,000, and on their usual valuation basis of the lowest market prices in the Stock Exchange Official List, there was a capital appreciation of over £511,000. The unquoted investments amounted to £270,000, principally in shipping securities, and in the aggregate were considered by the directors to have a value in excess of that figure. The dividends arising from these investments yielded a higher percentage than that arising from the quoted investments of the Trust.

The dividend on the Deferred stock had again been fully earned, and the directors had been able to add £4,922 to the substantial carry forward, making it up to £284,701. As to the future, in spite of the continued disappointing outlook for shipping, and the possibility of disturbed trade conditions, the directors, as far as it was possible to see, anticipated no difficulty in maintaining the present satisfactory dividend on the Deferred stock.

TERRIFIC COLLISION

DEATH OF MILLIONAIRE AND WIFE

Alexandria Bay (N.Y.), Aug. 18.
The speedboat "Giggle" owned by the Syracuse millionaire, Mr. Charles Lippe, collided to-day with the crowded pleasure boat "Thousand Islands." Both were sunk.

Mr. Lippe, his wife and Dodge the pilot of "Giggle," were drowned. There were sixty-five passengers on the pleasure boat who were panic-stricken. Most of them donned life-belts and were picked up by rescue craft.

The force of the collision was such that "Giggle's" nameplate was found embedded in the sunken pleasure boat.

LUXURY AT SEA

INAUGURATION OF THE BARBER-WILHELMSEN LINE

THE "TAI YIN"

That luxury on board ship is not the sole prerogative of the large passenger lines was made evident to our representative as soon as he stepped from the launch aboard the M.V. "Tai Yin," the invitation of the Hong Kong agents, Messrs. Dodwell and Co., Ltd. She is a fine, flush-decked vessel, with a gross tonnage of 6,730 tons, her net tonnage being 4,115. She has just completed a maiden voyage from New York, but according to the account of her fourth officer, it was a record trip, the vessel behaving herself steadily, and developing an average speed of 13 knots. Her engine power is 5,500 s.h.p.

A Comfortable Ship
Although built and designed primarily for cargo service, the "Tai Yin" and her four sister ships accommodate 12 passengers. Our representative made a complete inspection of the cabins, dining saloon, smoking saloon, and deck space, and formed the conclusion that a voyage in the "Tai Yin," of any distance, would be one of the most enjoyable of sea experiences. In spite of the modest amount of her owners that she is not built especially for passengers, the accommodation set apart for them is truly luxurious. A lady visitor who came aboard with one of the parties inspecting the vessel yesterday, was overheard to remark to her companion, "my dear, it's even better than the 'Carnegie'."

By a multiplicity of parvo comparison, of course, she was not incorrect. Accommodation is provided in each ship for ten passengers in two-berth cabins. In addition there is an owner's suite, comprising a sleeping cabin, sitting room and bathroom, which will be available for passengers. Each vessel is equipped with a saloon, smoking room, and hospital, ideally situated. The Captain's quarters and the owner's suite as well as both saloons are in polished mahogany, with corresponding furniture, while the passenger cabins are finished in white enamel, and also have mahogany furniture.

Of Interest to Shippers
For the information of shippers, it is interesting to learn that this new service of vessels are of the latest design in Diesel engine propulsion. The length is 460 ft.; moulded beam, 60 ft. 4 1/2 ins.; depth to main deck, 31 ft. 7 ins.; depth to shelter deck, 42 ft. 11 ins.; draught loaded, 27 ft.

There are five cargo holds in all. Three are situated forward of the Engine Room and two are situated aft. The three forward holds are fitted with twelve decks, 9 ft. high. The total deadweight for cargo is 8,500 tons of 40 cu. ft. The speed when fully laden will be 15 knots. Each vessel is fitted with a deep tank sub-divided, with a total capacity of 1,400 tons w.b., fitted with heating coils, together with three additional tanks which will have a total capacity of 240 tons. These will also be fitted with heating coils. It will be seen that shippers of oil in bulk will be well catered for. Refrigerated space has been installed and the total insulated space in each vessel will be 29,948 ft. divided into four compartments. A special refrigerating engineer will be carried to ensure that perishable cargo will be delivered at destination in satisfactory condition.

A Faster Service
It had long been felt by the principals in the past that the tonnage available on this route was not fast enough to meet the requirements of local shippers of cargo to American ports. A fleet of 5 newly built vessels of 10,000 tons deadweight, with a speed of 15 knots fully laden will maintain the service, and shippers are assured of a considerable reduction in the time previously taken in transit. These vessels will run on a schedule covering Keelung during the Tea Season, Manila, Hong Kong, Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, San Francisco, Boston, and New York, returning by the same route.

The time taken between Hong Kong and New York will be 42 days, and between Hong Kong and San Francisco 25 days. The vessels are modern in every way and are fitted with a high-class passenger accommodation, which will meet the requirements of all persons travelling. Current Rates will be charged and passengers are assured of all comfort.

The "Tai Yin," which is the first vessel to commence the service, sailed from Hong Kong on Thursday night for the above ports.

WARSHIPS HERE

The following are the warships at present in harbour:—
At the Basin:—H.M.S. "Tamar," and "Tarantula."
At the North Arm:—H.M.S. "Sterling" and "Sandwich."
In Dock:—H.M.S. "Seraph," "Serapis" and "L19."
No. 1 Buoy:—H.M.S. "Cornflower."
Foreign Man-of-War
French Gunboat "Argus."

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES

Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Esquillo" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after September 15.
Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Benmachui" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after September 16.
Consignees of cargo ex M.V. "Caucasian" are reminded to take delivery of their goods which will be subject to rent after September 18.

REDUCED FREIGHTS

ACTION BY DUTCH SHIPPING LINES

THE TEA TRADE

Amsterdam, Yesterday.
In view of the suggestions by the Association for Tea Cultivation in the Dutch East Indies, the shipping lines have reduced their tea freight prices from 37 1/2 to 30 guilders per cubic metre from Java to Europe. The freights will also be reduced from Sumatra to Europe.—Reuter.

PASSENGER LIST

ARRIVALS

Per the P. and O. "Mantua" from Home via ports, September 12:—Miss A. Duncan, Mr. S. N. Harber, Mr. A. E. Benson, Pay Comdr. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Jack, Mr. D. Marshall, Comdr. J. Rivett Carnac, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Oswick and infant, Mr. J. R. Roberts Well, Mr. J. H. Wilson, Mr. J. Daniel, Capt. E. Boddam Whetham (from London); Mrs. G. Lightfoot, Capt. B. H. Ramsay (Marseilles); Dr. R. H. Dastur, Miss S. Desert (Bombay); Mr. W. Bohl, Mr. and Mrs. R. Clark, Mr. A. Caldwell, Miss Gibson, Mr. H. Gild, Miss Karslake, Miss Munro, Mr. and Mrs. Forbes Russell, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bradley, Miss Angel, Miss Parfiter, Mr. A. Alexander, Mr. J. Mauney (Singapore); Sq.-Leader C. Bumprey, Mr. U. T. Bhargava (Port Said).

TREASURE FROM THE SEA

It is reported that the Italian salvage company which is attempting to raise the bullion which went down in the P. & O. Liner "Egypt" off Ushant intends, while it is in the neighbourhood, to try to locate the wreck of the "Drummond Castle." She was a Castle liner, before the days of the Union Castle Company, of 3,700 odd tons which was wrecked off Ushant on June 16, 1896, the first mail steamer which Currie's had lost in their long history. Like all the Cape mail steamers she was carrying valuable cargo, and if the wreck can be located and worked upon in those dangerous waters there is no reason why the gold and diamonds in her strong-room should not yield a very rich return. It is the financial prospects of these salvage jobs which permits the remarkable but very expensive improvements in diving gear.

NAVAL APPOINTMENT

Captain E. K. Boddam-Whetham, D.S.O., has assumed Command of H.M.S. "Tarantula" and taken over the duties of Senior Naval Officer West River to-day.

FROM CHINA STATION

The Bluebell, sloop, which was recently paid-off into the charge of a care and maintenance party on returning from the China Station, is ordered to remain in Dockyard control pending a decision as to her future.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" from Hong Kong on September 12 at 3 p.m., and is due at Vancouver on September 21.
The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France" arrived at Shanghai on September 12 (Fri.) at 7.30 a.m., leaves Shanghai on September 14 (Sat.) at 4.30 a.m., and is due at Hong Kong on September 16 (Mon.), a.m. She leaves Hong Kong on September 17 (Tues.) at 6 p.m.

CANADIAN PACIFIC

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17 Days Hongkong-Vancouver, 14 Days Shanghai-Vancouver
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Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
EMPRESS OF FRANCE	Sept. 25	Sept. 28	Oct. 1	Oct. 3
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 9	Oct. 12	Oct. 15	Oct. 17
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Oct. 30	Nov. 2	Nov. 5	Nov. 7
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Nov. 13	Nov. 16	Nov. 19	Nov. 21
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 5
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Dec. 18	Dec. 21	Dec. 24	Dec. 26
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Jan. 15	Jan. 18	Jan. 21	Jan. 23
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Feb. 12	Feb. 15	Feb. 18	Feb. 20
EMPRESS OF ASIA	Mar. 5	Mar. 8	Mar. 11	Mar. 13
EMPRESS OF CANADA	Mar. 19	Mar. 22	Mar. 25	Mar. 27
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA	Apr. 9	Apr. 12	Apr. 15	Apr. 17

(Regular sailing hour Noon but "Emp. of France" Sept. 25, will sail 6 a.m.)
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The daring dash of the priest who was later revealed as Phra So, of Wat Makok, however, was destined to be fruitless, for as soon as

he had reached the house, the occupants, who by this time were thoroughly terror-stricken, left the abode and fled (pell-mell). Finding himself alone, Priest So was obliged to beat a hasty retreat, and received two bullet wounds, which, however, were not serious. The raid began at about 10 p.m., when the gangsters made a sudden attack on the house.

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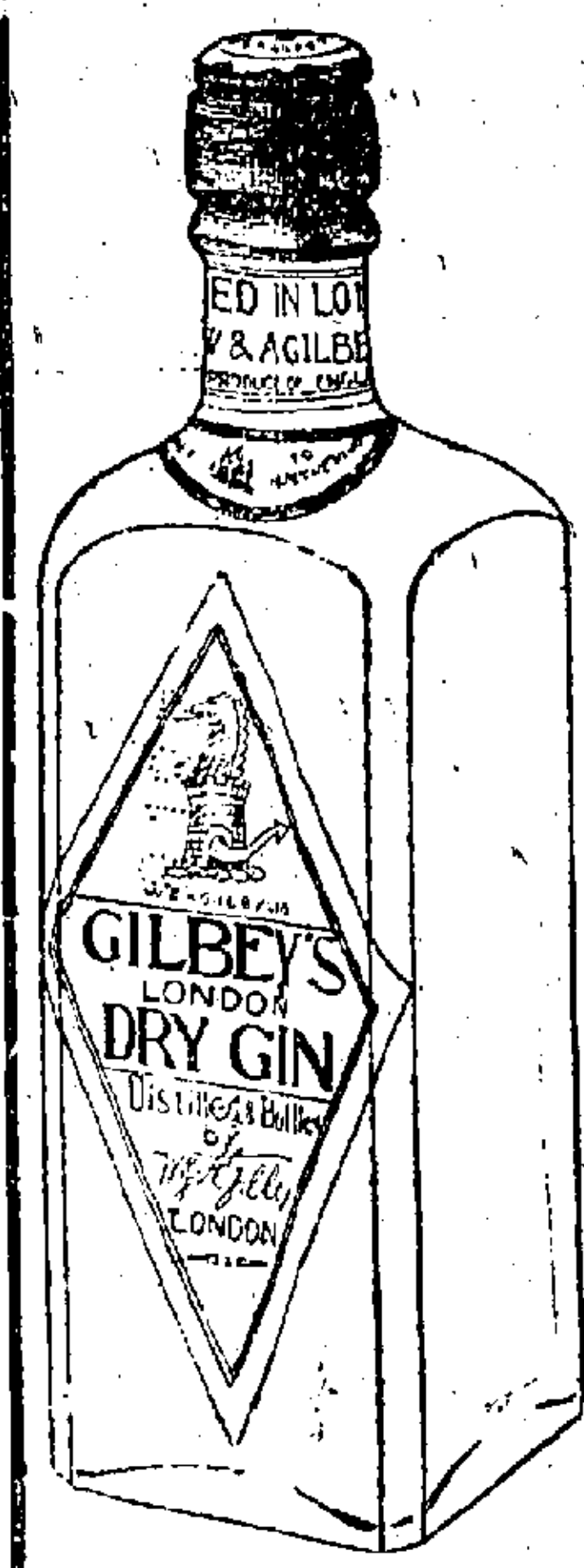
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\$1,000,000 A YEAR

From a perusal of Parliamen-
tary reports it would appear that
the Labour Government intends
to take a gratifying interest in
the welfare of the Crown
Colonies. Hitherto, in compari-
son with the great Dominions the
Colonies—or some of them—
have been in the position of
Cinderella, but without even the
solace of a Prince Charming and
a lost slipper. There will be
general agreement—in the
Colonies at least—with Mr.
J. H. Thomas, Lord Privy Seal,
that there is an important differ-
ence between the Dominions and
the Colonies and that incalculable
harm may be done by not under-
standing what really is the differ-
ence. With regard to the
Colonies he found schemes held up
for months and years, schemes
that would give employment,
schemes that were necessary
schemes, schemes that would de-
velop and benefit the Colonies,
and yet, for a hundred and one
reasons, those were all in the
pigeon holes. He first of all want-
ed schemes that could be got on
with immediately, then schemes
that required negotiation, and
then schemes that would ultim-
ately lead to the development of
the Empire.

After dealing with Trade Com-
missioners, the exports credit
scheme, and migration, Mr.
Thomas referred to a resolution
authorising the Treasury, on the
recommendations of a Committee
of State, to make advances by
grant or loan of sums not ex-

ceeding £1,000,000 in any one
year. Mr. Thomas said that the
Bill laid the foundation for a
long-range policy of constructive
Colonial development. The total
value of goods exported from the
United Kingdom to the Colonies,
Protectorates and Mandated Ter-
ritories in 1927 was £60,000,000.
Those figures would emphasise,
what was not generally known,
the tremendous advantage and
importance of the development of
the Colonies to the trade and com-
merce of Britain. In addition to
that, during the past five years
those Colonies had bought
£33,000,000 worth of stores in
Britain, and had raised £18,000-
000 of loan, nearly one-half of
which was bought in Great Brit-
tain. Therefore, not only was
this a field which required ex-
ploration and further develop-
ment, but there was no more op-
portune time to do that than the
present, when it would, in some
way, benefit the unemployed at
Home. With regard to the De-
velopment Fund and the proposed
annual sum of £1,000,000, if his
disposals were to succeed and to
be as valuable as he believed
they could be made, it could only
be done by a general speeding up
all round. The provisions he pro-
posed would enable him to say
in the name of the Colonial Office
to the Colonies, "Now, if you want
something done, get on with it.
The sum will not be there next
year, and if it is not spent this
year you are to blame and you
must bear the responsibility." He
believed that the fact of
Colonies which wanted to take
advantage of this £1,000,000
knowing that it was not for an
indefinite period would tend to
speed up the whole machine.
Some people might say: "After
all, £1,000,000 is not very much."
They had no conception what
£1,000,000 in this fund could do.
There were many Colonies which
were prepared to do at this mo-
ment work on a fifty-fifty basis;
that was to say, that if Great Brit-
tain guaranteed half the interest
for the period they would take
the responsibility for the other
half. On that basis alone £1,000-
000 would enable £40,000,000
worth of work to be undertaken.
He attached far more importance
to the question of speeding up
getting the Colonies to submit
schemes, because in his view that
would be the best way to help
them and to help his object.

Many of the Colonies, Mr.
Thomas further pointed out, were
unable at the moment to go on
with any work because they
could not meet the burdens dur-
ing the periods of construction,

and it was proposed to alter the
Acts so that during such periods
the interest charges would be paid
out of capital. Concurrently with
that, many found themselves
hampered by the shortness of the
sinking fund period, and, in order
to get over that difficulty it was
proposed to extend the period to
60 years. If the proposed Bill had
been introduced on its merits it
could have been justified as some-
thing essential to the development
of the Empire; but his special and
main concern was that this effort
would, as he believed, enable
much work to come to Britain.
From the Colonial Office point of
view he believed the Bill was
essential, and it would be to the
benefit of the Empire as a whole.
It may be that there is an interest
for Hong Kong in the new
schemes proposed, but time alone
can tell!

The Rev. G. F. Nightingale and
Mrs. Nightingale returned to Hong
Kong from Yokohama by the P. & O.
s.s. "Morea."

The Nippon Yusen Kaisha's s.s.
"Shinyo Maru" is at present in the
No. 1 Dock of the Kowloon Docks,
undergoing repairs to her rudder
shaft.

The driver of motor lorry 1668
was fined \$15 by Mr. T. S. Whyte-
Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning for overtaking lorry
No. 1155 at an excessive speed in Lai
Chi Kok-road on August 25.

For driving a hand truck in
Argyle Street without a licence, a
young Chinese was fined \$2 by Mr.
T. S. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon
Magistracy this morning. He stated
that his brother had a licence, but
did not renew it!

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith fined a
Chinese \$7 with the alternative of
10 days' hard labour for acting as
a marine hawk. He had two
a marine hawk without a licence.
He had two previous convictions for
the similar offences.

The following local Government
employees have booked to sail for
Home on the s.s. "Morea" to-
morrow—Mr. F. K. Ewart (Educa-
tion Department), Mr. L. P. Lane
(Police), with Mrs. Lane and child,
Mr. C. P. Rozeksky (Police), and
Mr. E. H. Dyer (Prison Depart-
ment).

A Chinese woman was cautioned
at the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning by Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith
for removing earth from the hill-
side, opposite the Cement Works, on
the Kowloon City Road. Divisional
Inspector Stinson pointed out that
the defendant had five young girls
working for her.

At the Kowloon Magistracy this
morning, Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith
cautioned two lads for rid-
ing hired bicycles at 9.30 and
11.30 last night respectively with-
out lamps. Another was fined
\$1, for the same offence. His
Worship said in the first two
instances that a night in the cell
was sufficient punishment!

At the Summary Court, before
Mr. Justice J. R. Wood, yesterday
afternoon, Ip Fong, a seaman, sued
Ying Ming Cheong Kue Lan, for
the return of \$990 due on a promiss-
ory note. The defendant claimed
that he had actually repaid
\$1,590 to plaintiff. The latter ad-
mitted receiving \$1,000 and said
that that amount was for interest
only. Judgment was given for de-
fendant.

Mr. A. W. Parry, Chief Officer of
the Wuchow river steamer "Kong
So," died at the Kowloon Hospital on
Wednesday after an illness which
lasted only a few days. The funeral,
which was largely attended by coast
officers, and other friends of the
deceased, took place at the Protest-
ant Cemetery, Happy Valley, where
the service was conducted by the
Rev. G. T. Waldegrave. Much
sympathy is felt for his mother and
sister in Cardiff.

A Chinese was arrested for the
unlawful possession of illicit opium
concealed in a basket of flowers.
He alleged that it belonged to an-
other man, who was also taken into
custody. Yesterday both appeared
before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the
Central Magistracy. Mr. Hin-shing
Lo appeared for the second accused,
and showed that the man was
respectable. The Magistrate decid-
ed to give both accused the benefit
of the doubt, and discharged them.

Estate of the value of \$91,161 has
been left by Sir James Gadesden
Wainwright, who, for twenty-seven
years was treasurer of St. Thomas's
Hospital.

MR. J. O. HUGHES

ATTENDS MASONIC MEETINGS
AT HOME

RESPONSE TO TOAST

At the Installation meeting of
United Empire Lodge, No. 3863, on
June 28, Mr. R. W. Soley succeeded
Mr. S. N. Solomon as Worshipful
Master. The occasion was made
specially noteworthy by the cere-
monial, including the unveiling by
Sir John Cockburn and dedication
by the Rev. Basil Bouchier, of the
Lodge's handsome banner bearing
the motto: "Empire and Craft."
There were many officers of Grand
Lodge and distinguished visitors
from overseas present. At the ban-
quet Sir John Cockburn proposed
the toast of "Sovereign and District
Grand Lodge Officers," and Mr. J.
Owen Hughes, D.M.G., Hong Kong
and China, responded. Mr. Edward
Salmon proposed "The Royal
Colonial Institute Lodge"—the
Mother of United Empire Lodge—
and Sir Alfred Pickford, the Deputy
Worshipful Master, and Sir Walter
Greaves-Lord, K.C. M.P., the Senior
Warden, replied.

Royal Colonial Institute
At the July meeting of the Royal
Colonial Institute Lodge, No. 3556,
many overseas visitors were wel-
comed, including Mr. J. Owen
Hughes (Hong Kong), Mr. S. T.
Harrison (Barbados), Mr. Laxon
Sweet (Japan), and Mr. Kennedy
(Australia)—the last mentioned be-
ing in Scout uniform. The Deputy
Worshipful Master, Sir Alfred Pick-
ford, presided over most interesting
gatherings, both in Lodge and at
dinner.

COMING HERE

RATINGS HAD THEIR LEAVE
BEFORE SAILING

Mr. Hore-Belisha, M.P., on hearing
that Midsummer leave had been stopped
to petty officers and men on M.H.S.
"Storm Cloud," "Seraph," and "Ste-
ling," which left Devonport for China
on August 15, made a representation to
the First Lord of the Admiralty, and
received the following letter in re-
ply:—

Dear Mr. Hore-Belisha.—The First
Lord has gone away for a few days,
so I am answering your letter of July
25, on the subject of the difficulty
about leave of men shortly going to
China.

The matter has been looked into,
and it has been found possible to
grant this leave, and orders have
been issued accordingly.
As a matter of fact, the fact that
these ratings' request for leave was
refused was due to an error which
strangely enough did not come to the
notice of the authorities until the
receipt of your letter.

Yours truly,

(Signed) F. FRY,

Private Secretary.

GENEROUS GIFT

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will, we ("United Empire") are
sure, be shared by the great body of
Fellows. It should be an encourage-
ment to others to do what lies in
their power to assist the provision
of adequate headquarters.

SOMERSET L. I.

VISIT BATTLEFIELDS IN
FRANCE

Calais, Aug. 11.
A delegation of the Somerset Light
Infantry arrived yesterday at Calais,
consisting of officers, under the leader-
ship of Lieut.-Gen. Sir David Campbell.
After being welcomed by M. Parenty,
the representative of the local authori-
ties, the British officers left in the
Golden Arrow train for Paris.
To-day the officers visited the Somme
battlefields, on Monday and Tuesday
they visit those of the Aisne and Marne,
and on Wednesday they will return to
Paris, whence they will go home by
way of Calais and Dover.

LIFE SAVING

The following have been provi-
sionally nominated to conduct
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Mr. C. W. Chau, Queen's College,
Sgt. J. H. Hunt, Police Headquarters,
L/Bdr. W. Adams and Gur. T.
Hailstone, 12th Heavy Battery, R.A.,
and Ptes W. Freeman and A.
Dorsett of the 2nd Bn. King's Own
Scottish Borderers.

Any of the above will be pleased
to assist classes in every possible
way.

P'RAPS—

P'RAPS NOT!

Two retail stores on the same
street were strong competitors.
Every day or so, if one had a sign
in the window, the other store would
try to go him one better. Finally
one proprietor, who had spent four
years at college and knew a little
Latin, put in his window a sign
reading, "Mens conscia recta," or,
freely interpreted, "We know what's
correct." The next day his com-
petitor proudly played this sign,
"Men's and Women's conscia recta."

Johnnie: "What's the difference
between Scotsmen and Englishmen,
Faither?"

Faither: "I dinna ken, laddie, bit
they've never been the same since
Bannockburn."

He came home with a slightly
mixed story and his loving spouse
confronted him with wrath in her
eyes. "You said you were going to
a pantomime rehearsal," she cried,
angrily, "but what have you been
doing on the bowling green?"
"Rehearsing, my dear," was his
reply.

"What?"

"Jack and Jill."

"Are you still taking a cold
plunge every morning?"

"No; I stopped doing that to save
time."

"Why, a cold plunge doesn't take
more than a minute or two."

"I know; but I used to spend
three-quarters of an hour curled up
in bed hesitating."

The little girl toddled into the
chemist's shop.

"A penn'orth of piano, please,"
she said.

The shopman looked puzzled.

"What is it for?" he asked.

"It's to clean grease spots off
father's coat."

"Oh, it is ammonia you want."

"Yes, that's right, 'ammonium,'"

said the youngster. "I know it was
something we play on."

Old Meanboy was in a restaurant,
and as he rose to leave he did not
hand the waiter a tip.

"Excuse me, sir," said the waiter,
"but haven't you forgotten some-
thing?"

"Let me see," answered old Mean-
boy, "my wife told me to water the
flowers, feed the bird, close the
windows, keep the sun off the
parlour carpet, dust the piano, and
change the goldfishes' water. I did
all those things. No, I haven't for-
gotten anything."

There was a sudden startled
exclamation; then followed a re-
sounding crash as a jug and basin
smashed to atoms on the floor. A
light was switched on, and the
burglar stood revealed. "What are
you doing there?" asked an angry
and forbidding spinster sitting up
in bed and scowling at him. For a
moment he was nonplussed. Then
a brilliant idea flashed across his
mind. "Madam," he began, "do not
be alarmed. I am the composer of
the song 'Moonbeam, Kiss Her for
Me,' and I just dropped in to see if
my instructions were being ful-
filled."

The elocutionist burst into the
room of the man who had specially
composed a recitation for him, not
looking very pleased.

The composer looked up. "Ah!"
said he, "I suppose your 'turn' was
a great success—you've come to pay
me my fees, of course—"

"You don't get a cent out of me!"
broke in the actor. "That's what
I've come to tell you!"

"But, said the other, surprised, "a
beautiful piece of work like that—
an exquisite rhyme!"

The other laughed bitterly.

"That isn't the word for it!" said
he. "Rime? It was an absolute
frost!"

Three unemployed miners having
emigrated to South Africa, and not
being successful in obtaining em-
ployment, decided to journey out
country, where, far away from
civilisation, they came across an
explorers' depot, fairly well stocked
with food.

After a few days, when the stores
had become exhausted, and all three
fed up, yet very hungry, one of their
number decided to go in search of
food, with the avowed determina-
tion to bring back something to eat
even if it were a lion. He had not
searched far when he encountered a
lion, which was also in search of
food.

The lion at once bounded toward
the man, who turned and sped as
rapidly as humanly possible toward
the hut. On nearing the hut door,
which was open, he stumbled and
fell, too precipitately for the lion to
recover, which bounded into the hut.

When the man picked himself up,
he quickly pulled the hut door to,
and shouted to his mates inside.
"Here you are! Skin that whilst I
fetch another."

"BY CANDLE LIGHT" ROUND THE CINEMAS

LAST NIGHT'S SUCCESSFUL PRODUCTION
APRIL VIVIAN'S CHARM

Except that by candle light things are not what they seem, there is small justification for the rather misleading title "By Candle Light," which has been given to this delightful comedy which Mr. Forster Russell's company presented last night, and will again present this evening. There is an abundance of sparkling dialogue, and the wit is not too heavy to be subtle to prove indigestible to the average playgoer. The opening act is not so successful as its two successors; there are awkward gaps in the movement of the play when the stage is left vacant for two or three minutes; the audience is inclined to cough and fidget in such circumstances, for the absence of an actor, to be dramatic, must be the absence of a very great actor. In the second act, however, the exciting and amusing situations crowd one upon the other.

The Plot
The plot is slight. The Baron Egon Von Felsen, celebrated for his entertainment of the ladies, leaves his flat one evening to visit an English friend. In his absence, his valet, Bastien, who rings up a lady on the telephone on behalf of his master, gets connected with the wrong lady. Seemingly, he invites her over to the flat, dons the Baron's dinner jacket, and cleverly impersonates him. At an awkward moment the real Baron unexpectedly returns, but plays up to the imposture by reversing places with his valet.

Bastien is disconcerted at first, but gradually plays the role of Baron so well that he takes many liberties. Fresh complications arise, such as an irate husband, and an unhappy wife until, in the final act, the deception is unveiled. The lady on the telephone turns out to be... well, see the play for yourself to-night.

Lady on the Phone
As Elizabeth, the lady on the phone, Miss April Vivian is quite charming, although one felt that had she but had the sympathy of a larger audience her performance would have carried even more feeling. Alec Alexander as the Baron gave the play life and interest, and displayed all the perfections of an experienced actor who has played many roles. His acting suggested that he is not unfamiliar with the Bensonian school. Miss Isobel Partridge had a not difficult part, but sustained it cleverly, her first entrance being slightly more in reserve than her second. (The personality of Alec Alexander is apt to cast a shadow.) As Bastien, the valet, John Manuel had a hard role to play and carried it off exceedingly well. It is hard to discover how he managed to take in Elizabeth... but he did, and when she found out that he was only a valet, the sparks began to fly. Others of the cast are Miss Heather Angel (Lulu Von Keck), Charles Bradley (Count Von Balkin), and Miss Grace Ray (a waitress), all of whom show finesse and add their quota to our pleasure. If one wants a hearty laugh he should see "By Candle Light" to-night—the final performance.

A CANARD

NO ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF GENERAL CHAN

Canton, Yesterday.
It is officially affirmed that there is no truth in the report which appeared on September 11 in certain Hong Kong papers that an attempt was made last Sunday on the life of the Commander-in-Chief, General Chan Chai-tong.—Canton News Agency.

At the Weekly Memorial Meeting at the Foreign Office, Dr. C. T. Wang, the Foreign Minister, made the following statement to his subordinates:—"The Ministry of Foreign Affairs have drawn up schemes for the abolition of consular jurisdiction within this year and for the rendition of the foreign settlements next year. The demand for the rendition of foreign settlements will be simultaneously put to the foreign Powers with the demand for the withdrawal of foreign troops from China. Owing to the complicated nature of the rendition of the foreign settlements, this year has been set as a period within which preparations for their rendition should be made."

The White Star liner "Vedic" is to sail on Saturday, October 19, from Liverpool with a large party of settlers for Australia selected by the Salvation Army Migration and Settlement Department. This will be the third occasion on which the "Vedic" has sailed out of the Mersey flying the Salvation Army flag. On the forthcoming voyage the entire accommodation of "Vedic" will again be reserved for the Salvation Army party.

LON CHANEY IN A NEW ROLE
A "PLAIN CLOTHES MAN"

Lon Chaney, born of mute parents, yet a great star, has a spectacular role to play in Jack Conway's production "While the City Sleeps," showing at the Queen's Theatre to-day and to-morrow.

Known as "the man with a thousand faces," Chaney, in this film deviates from that conception, and is seen as a plain clothes-man in the New York City police force, consisting of 6,000, protecting the public in an effort to keep peace and order.

Police raids are adjoined in this clever film, a feature of which is the new method of determining suspects brought to the station. They stand on a platform, facing a blinding light, and are unable to see who is in front of them, while the detectives make careful observations, each in turn.

Every film has a love story. In this one Anita Page, fresh from her triumph in "Our Dancing Daughters," and Carroll Nye, expounds it, intermingled with a murder and robbery.

Akely supporting Chaney, are Mae Busch and Wheeler Oakman, who plays an excellent part as "Mile-Away," a notorious undertaker and crook. Polly Moran is undoubtedly the supplier of the laughs throughout.

World Jamboree
A British Gazette, showing the 20,000 Boy Scouts at Arrow Park, clearing lustily for H.R.H. the Prince of Wales, and a Fox Comedy, completed the evening's entertainment.

"BLUE SKIES"

Frank Albertson, co-featured with Helen Twelvetrees in "Blue Skies," has done some splendid work in previous Fox pictures, notably "Prep and Pop."

In "Blue Skies," showing at the Star, to-day and Saturday, Albertson is cast as the grown-up orphan.

"Blue Skies" is a story of life in an orphanage, adapted by John Stone from Frederick Hazlitt Brennan's magazine story, "The Matron's Report." The pick of Hollywood's colony of child actors and actresses appear in the picture and some of them are featured in parts in which they do some amazing work. One of them is Frederick, called "The most versatile child in pictures," and another is Carmelita Johnson, a child actress of proven ability.

"BATTLES OF VERDUN"

The epic film, "The Battles of Verdun" (screening at the Majestic Theatre till to-morrow) is claimed not to be a studio-made film; but "is a series of actual photographs taken at great personal risk by a French cameraman who followed the first line trenches of the French Army throughout the historic engagements. The picture is authentic and gives a graphic account of the famous battles together with many vivid scenes of the evacuation and bombardment of Verdun."

The battle scenes showing the advance of the German hordes, and the gallant rally of the French Army are vivid. President Von Hindenburg and General Ludendorff are seen in conference behind closed doors.

An interesting deviation is an air fight in which a great French "ace" is down being brought to the ground.

MAGNATE'S SUICIDE

ONE-TIME HOST OF THE EX-KAISER

Berlin, August 4.
A sensation has been caused by Dr. Edward Simon, a millionaire textile magnate, committing suicide in his palatial home in the Victoria Strasse, owing to business worry after a long battle with financial difficulties following the inflation period.

Dr. Simon before the war was frequently the host of the ex-Kaiser.

CIGARETTES

AMERICAN SCIENTIST'S NEW DEVICE

New York, August 17.
Self-extinguishing cigarette ends have been evolved by scientists attached to the Federal Bureau. It is expected that this will substantially reduce America's annual \$10,000,000 loss from fires caused by the carelessness of smokers.

Mr. W. Cecil Toogood, of Leigham Manor, Plympton, and owner of Plym Bridge, one of the most picturesque and popular resorts for picnickers in the Plymouth neighbourhood, announces that he is compelled to close his land to the public owing to persistent damage and disfigurement with litter by picnickers.

A Brighton conductor, finding twenty £5 notes lying in his bus, took them to the police-station, where they were claimed by a young Frenchman, who rewarded him.

A woman's body, washed ashore at Folkestone, is thought to be that of Madame Gerzon, one of the victims of the air disaster off Dungeness on June 17.

The National Union of Seamen has decided to appoint a committee instead of electing a president to succeed the late Mr. Havelock Wilson.

NOT TO REMARRY

WIFE'S £8,000 PENALTY IN HER WILL
A RARE CONDITION

A will in which a woman reduces a bequest should her husband remarry was issued recently.

It was that of Mrs. Sarah Harriet Reeve, the daughter of the late "Lord" George Sanger, the famous circus proprietor. She died at her home in South Eastern-road, Ramsgate, in April.

Mrs. Reeve's estate was proved at £48,920. She left legacies amounting to £15,000 to her children, and one-third of the residue, about £8,000, to her husband "while he remains her widower." On his death or remarriage the share is to go to her children.

While there have been several wills under which widows forfeit legacies on remarriage, it is rare for a wife to penalise her widower. A recent instance was Mrs. Annie Constance Meinerzhagen, of Kensington Park-gardens, W., and Ross-shire, who left the bulk of her fortune of £113,466 to her husband, if he should remain a widower.

Mr. Reeve, who is living at Ramsgate, is seventy-five years of age, and their marriage was a boy and girl romance of circus life. They were a devoted couple and brought up a large family. They celebrated their golden wedding a few years ago.

A member of the family said to a "Sunday Express" representative: "Mrs. Reeve's only idea in making that clause in her will regarding her husband's remarriage was because she did not want the children to be left out in the cold, and the money which the parents had helped to make together go to some one else."

AFTER 21 YEARS

DRAMATIC MEETING IN A HOSPITAL WARD

SISTERS UNITED

Two sisters have met in a London hospital after a separation of twenty-one years.

Two elderly women, both suffering from cataract, lay in neighbouring beds in a ward of the Moorfields Eye Hospital, City-road.

The elder of the two, Mrs. George Packham, progressed favourably, and was allowed to walk about the ward. One day she crossed over to the bedside of the other, patient Mrs. John Webster, and began to chat to her.

"We began to talk of all sorts of things," said Mrs. Packham, "and gradually the conversation drifted to our former lives. We found, to our great surprise, that we both came from the same part of the country and had mutual friends."

"Then my fellow patient clutched my hand and shouted excitedly, 'Annie, Annie, don't you know me? I am your sister Emma!'"

"It was one of the most wonderful moments I have ever known. I had not seen my sister for twenty-one years. I knew she lived in Leyton, but, somehow or other, we did not keep in touch."

"Then came that marvellous moment. It is the greatest coincidence I have ever known. Not only were we both in the same ward in the same hospital, but we both had the same complaint."

"Had I not sat down beside her we should have gone on as we had done previously, because, although I had noticed Emma lying in bed I did not recognise her as my sister, so greatly had she changed."

"We have had a great time since, talking over old times and all that has happened to us. I think we must be the two happiest people in London. We have the comforting knowledge, in addition to the great joy of seeing each other again, that both of us are progressing satisfactorily."

John Crispin, a Tyneside cobbler, is quite up-to-date in his business methods. He has christened his establishment "The Boot Hospital."

The other day a customer brought a pair of boots which would have disgraced a gouty tramp. "Aa wasn't hev them mended if Aa was ye," said John; "Aa was present 'em to the deservin' poor," he added sarcastically.

"But Aa want 'em mended, and I thout this was an 'ospital," retorted the customer.

"Ay, mister, so it is," replied the cobbler; "but it's not a mortuary, understand!"

In an address on voice training to students attending the summer course in music teaching at Oxford, Mr. F. C. Field-Hyde advocated shorthand as an aid to singing.

Further excavations, expected to last about two months, will begin on the Roman fortress at Richborough, near Sandwich, Kent.

Captain MacGillivray, of Calrossie, has given a 100 guineas cup for the Shorthorn show and sale at Perth.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN "CHINA MAIL"

Social Functions
To-day—Dinner Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

To-morrow—Tea Dances at Hong Kong Hotel and Peninsula Hotel, 4.30 p.m.

Entertainments
To-day—Queen's Theatre; "While the City Sleeps."

To-day—World Theatre; "The Villa By the Sea" at 5.15 and 9.20 p.m. "The Hermit's Own Wedding" (Chinese picture), 2.30 and 7.15 p.m.

To-day—Star Theatre; "Blue Skies."

To-day—Majestic Theatre; "The Battles of Verdun."

To-day—At Theatre Royal, Forbes, Russell Comedy Co., in "By Candle Light," 9.15 p.m.

Home Mails
To-day—Inward from America and ports ("President McKinley").

To-morrow—Outward for Europe via Marseilles ("Morea"), 10.30 a.m.

Land Sale
Sept. 16—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot of Crown Land at Tai Kok Tsui, 3 p.m.

Sports
To-day—Chinese Athletic Association Tennis Tournament, North Point Stadium.

To-morrow—Eighth annual aquatics meeting of Police and Prison Depts., V.R.C. Club.

To-morrow—Charity Football Match: United Services v. S.C.A.A., Caroline Hill, 4.45 p.m.

Sept. 21—Victoria Recreation Club Night fete.

Sept. 29—St. John Ambulance Brigade aquatic sports, King's College bath, 10 a.m.

Meeting
To-day—Regular monthly meeting of the Marine Engineers' Guild of China (Hong Kong Branch), 67, Des Vaux Road Central, 6 p.m.

Miscellaneous
To-day—H.K.V.D.C. Promenade Concert, on Parade Ground, Volunteer Headquarters, 9.15 p.m.

IN OTHER PLACES

CHRONICLES FROM JAPAN TO JAVA

An R.A.F. flying boat has arrived at Mergui, Burma, from Penang.

The Commissioner of Public Safety has issued an order for the strict suppression of gambling in the Municipality of Greater Shanghai.

A woman found 8ft. under the ground two days and a half after the ammunition dump explosion at Yunnan Fu, was still alive and is recovering.

Mr. J. H. Thomas, Lord Privy Seal, stated recently that a Trade Commissioner at Singapore and an assistant Trade Commissioner at Sydney, Australia, will shortly be appointed.

Report has it that the National Government has ordered the various Ministries to abolish their Shanghai offices unless it is found absolutely necessary that they should be retained.

Mr. S. Uyemura, who for the past couple of years has been Japanese Consul in Shanghai, and who has served as acting Consul-General on several occasions, has taken up his appointments as Consul in Nanking.

Captain N. O'Neill, who relinquished the command of the cruiser "Suffolk" on the China station at the beginning of the year, has been selected as Captain of the Dockyard and King's Harbour Master, Chatham. He will succeed Captain A. K. Beatty, D.S.O., A.D.C.

An agreement is reported to have been reached on the Sino-Polish Agreement of Trade and Friendship. The Polish Minister, M. Barthel de Weydenthal, is to leave for the capital in a day or two to sign the document.

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce S. Jenkins returned from their honeymoon spent in Japan in the str. "Shanghai Maru." They will live in Route de Boissezon. Mr. Jenkins is the Shanghai manager of the American Asiatic Underwriters.

The Ministry of Railways is understood by the vernacular papers to be contemplating the construction of a line between Nantungchow and Tsingkiang at a cost of \$30,000,000. An appeal will be made to Chinese overseas to subscribe money for this purpose.

The China General Omnibus Co. has issued "The Bus Book," a handy pamphlet compiled with a view to providing the general public with information regarding bus services in Shanghai. A scrutiny of the pages will place the reader in possession of all facts necessary for

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The "Japan Chronicle" announces the death of Mr. Egon Crevatin, who went to Japan in 1895 at the age of 20, and worked for many years in the firm of Otto Reimer and Co. He was an Austrian by birth, and was honorary consul for Austria in Kobe. After the war, Mr. Crevatin came out again, and took up the business which Mr. Richard Reiff was relinquishing.

The death has occurred at the Italian Hospital, Tientsin, of Father Edmond Rubens, well-known Belgian missionary from Mongolia, in his 70th year. The deceased was born in Belgium on Nov. 20, 1859, and for a period of 45 years has been conducting missionary work in China, principally in Mongolia, where he founded the first Belgian Mission.

When the Graf Zeppelin was about to start from Los Angeles for Lakehurst at midnight of August 26, the management of the hotel where Lieutenant-Commander Kusaka and Major Shibata, two Japanese officers, were stopping, took their luggage aboard the dirigible, while they were absent, believing that they were going on to Lakehurst. When the two officers returned to the hotel, after their luggage had departed aboard the "Graf" they found themselves in a predicament, as it was at least six days before they could recover it.

Mr. T. H. Whitehead, who has presented the Royal Empire Society with a £1,000 bond, has been a Life Fellow of the society for the past 35 years, and from 1895 to 1902 served as its honorary corresponding secretary in Hong Kong, where he was for many years a valued member of the Legislative Council. After 28 years' work in the East with the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, he returned from Hong Kong to England in 1902 as London Manager of that Bank, and retired from its service in 1920.

The London Scottish Old Comrades Association in Shanghai will rejoice to know that the famous regiment can still find new ways of keeping up its reputation for being famous. It is now engaged on one of its periodical marches across Scotland and one day one of the officers familiar with the district told Col. Lyall Grant that they were approaching a toll bridge at which each man would have to pay a penny. The C. O. immediately ordered a two-mile detour. The "British United Press" is entirely responsible for the preceding. The only difficulty was that the B.U.P. said the incident occurred "on Royal Deeside, and it was one of England's hottest days." Deeside remains in the country which it has always graced.

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PARKING CARS

INTERESTING LEGAL POINT DISCUSSED

SUMMONS DISMISSED

An interesting legal point was discussed before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Central Magistrate's court, yesterday afternoon, in the case in which the Chinese driver of private motor car No. 967 was charged with "parking or placing" his car in Rumsey-street, which is an unauthorised place.

Mr. L. R. Andrews, Assistant Crown Solicitor, addressed His Worship as follows:—

"I wish to withdraw this summons because it was brought under regulations 85 of the Vehicles and Traffic Regulations, which only refers to public vehicles. In fact no offence has been committed and if the summons were brought under any other regulation we could not succeed."

"The object of regulation 85 is to allot certain specified stands to taxis, public hire cars and rickshaws, so that while they are waiting for hire they are not congesting traffic."

Regulation 85 reads: Public Vehicles—Except with the permission in writing of the Captain Superintendent of Police, no vehicle shall use as a stand any road or public place, or part of a road or public place, other than the authorised stands for vehicles of the class as set out in Parts 2, 3, and 4 of Schedule B of these regulations.

Object of Regulation
Mr. Andrews continued:—"The object of regulation 95A, which relates to private motor vehicles is to allow certain specified stands or reservation to such vehicles."

Regulation 95A reads: Private motor vehicles may be left unattended in the places set out in Schedule A to these regulations, or as the Captain Superintendent of Police may from time to time direct by notice in the "Gazette," and may use the stands set out in Part 1 of Schedule B, but may not use other stands.

Referring to another regulation, (No. 76), Mr. Andrews said: "The object of regulation 75 is to prevent vehicles from remaining standing in busy thoroughfares for a longer time than is necessary for enabling persons to enter or alight therefrom."

Every Man's Right
In his address to the Bench, Mr. Davidson said that the chauffeur of car No. 967 was waiting for his employer, who was shopping, and prior to the application by Mr. Andrews, to withdraw the summons, he (Mr. Davidson) had intended to submit to His Worship that the car was being used for a perfectly legitimate purpose according to every man's common law rights. If Rumsey-street had been a street where it was undesirable for cars to wait, it could have been included in Schedule C by a stroke of the pen, but in fact, Rumsey-street was not a congested area.

Traffic Inspector Nicols told the Magistrate that when the audience left the World Cinema, the place was crowded. He had had representations from the Wing On Company and had intimated that he had no objection to cars waiting there for 15 or 20 minutes, but not for a couple of hours.

Mr. Davidson said that the obstruction in the case was a matter for argument, but it had to be remembered that to stop a car in the street was a perfectly lawful act. Mr. Andrews had made everything perfectly clear.

His Worship dismissed the summons.

RIDING ASTRIDE

BOY AVENGES THE "FAMILY HONOUR"

A Turkish schoolboy, aged 17, appeared in the Istanbul Criminal Court on July 23 on a charge of murdering his aunt, aged 19, for riding astride.

He declared that he was summoned by the "Imam" (priest) of his city district, who complained to him regarding what he considered the girl's offence against old world decency.

When he remonstrated with her she said that Turkish women were free to do what they liked, and he thereupon "avenged the family honour."

NEW MARKETS

M. VENIZOS ON THE VALUE OF ADVERTISING

M. Venizelos, the Prime Minister of Greece, paid a high tribute to the value of British newspaper advertising when he visited the offices of Messrs. Mather and Crowther, advertising agents.

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MONEY AND SHARES

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Bank, on demand	1/11 3/16
Bank, 30 days' sight	
Bank, 4 months' sight	1/11 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	2/- 1/2
Documentary 4 months' sight	2/- 1/2
On Paris—	
On demand	1197 1/2
Credits, 4 months' sight	1272 1/2
On Berlin—	
On demand	
On New York—	
On demand	46 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	48 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	129 1/2
On demand	129 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	129 1/2
On demand	129 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	83 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	94
On Shanghai—	
On demand	83 1/2
30 days' sight (private paper)	
On Yokohama—	
On demand	99 1/4
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per tael)	
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	10.00
Silver (per oz)	23 7/8
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	3% dis.
Copper Cash	Nominal
Copper Cents	3% prem.
Rate of Native Interest	7% p.a.
Chinese Sub. Coin	25% dis.
Hong Kong Sub. Coin Par.	

"MY REVENGE"

RICH BARONESS STRANGLER IN SERBIA

WOMAN SUSPECTED

The richest woman in Serbia, the widowed Baroness Irma Molnar, aged 70, has been found strangled with a silk cord in a maize field near Boka. A scrap of paper hanging from the cord bore the Serbian words meaning "My revenge."

The baroness's wedding 50 years ago to a relative of the Hungarian dramatist Molnar is still spoken of for its magnificence. Five hundred guests were for weeks feasting at the marriage feast at Boka.

Since her husband died in 1900 the baroness has worn cropped hair and peasant's garb and tramped 20 miles daily. She owned 15,000 acres, 20 houses in Belgrade, and accumulated untouched deposits in the banks of £100,000.

During the war she conducted a field hospital, constantly risking her life in the front line.

The body was robbed of valuables, and reapers heard a shrill voice crying, "Don't touch me, Milica." The police believe that a woman, probably wearing man's clothes, is the murderer.

CANADIAN NOTES

The Canadian prairie farmers last year made an average net income of \$2,500 per home, according to the department of natural resources of the Canadian National Railways.

Maple sugar and maple syrup produced in Canada this year is valued at \$6,000,000.

Twenty-two members of the Appalachian Club have left Duluth for Jasper Park and their annual excursion through the Canadian Rockies.

The only trans-continental system of wires under one direction in Canada that are suitable for radio broadcasting are owned by the Canadian National Railways and its 13 stations.

Albert Pilkington, aged 3 years, of Liverpool, England, who has reached the Pas, Manitoba, is the youngest passenger to be carried alone for such a distance by the Canadian National Railways.

Pig iron production in Canada is running at the highest rate in years.

Fifty-five locomotive engineers and their wives passed through Montreal on August 4 over the Canadian National Railways on their way to the Labour Convention at Moncton, N.B.

The average size farm in the Canadian Prairie Provinces—Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta—is estimated at 353 acres and of a value of \$10,729, according to the natural resources department of the Canadian National Railways.

Canada's total population as at June 1, 1929, has been estimated by the Canadian Government Bureau of Statistics as 9,796,800.

T.T. on London	1/11 1/2
T.T. on Shanghai	84

Banks	
H.K. Bank	\$1230 b
H.K. London Reg.	\$129 n
Chartered Bank	\$204 b
Mercantile A. & B.	\$324 n
Mercantile C.	\$154 n
P. & O. Bank	
Bank of East Asia	\$90 1/2 n

Insurance	
Canton Insurance	\$530 n
Union Insurance	\$334 b 332 sa
North China Insurance	\$160 b
Yangtze Insurance	\$450 n
China Underwriters	\$2 n
China Fire Insurance	\$310 b
H.K. Fire Insurance	\$750 b & sa

Shipping	
Douglases	\$27 1/2 n
H.K. Steamboats	\$25 b
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	
Indo-Chinas (Prof.)	\$45 s
Indo-Chinas (Def.)	\$70 s
Shell Transports (old)	\$100/- n
Shell Transports (new)	
Union Waterboats	\$22 s

Mining	
Benguets	\$3.35 b
Kailan Mining Ad.	\$62/6 n
Langkats (comb.)	\$14 n
Langkats (single)	\$14 n
Shanghai Explorations	\$14 n
Shanghai Loans	\$14 n
Raub	\$9 1/2 n
Tronoh Mines	\$21/- b

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.	
H.K. Wharves	\$129 b
H.K. & W. Docks	\$324 b
China Providents	\$4.65 s
Hongkows	\$181 n
New Engineering	\$7.90 b
Shanghai Docks	\$144 b

Cotton Mills	
Ewo Cottons	\$19.20 b 19.40 s
Shanghai Cottons (old)	\$19.2 1/2 b
Shanghai Cottons (new)	\$64 b
Shanghai Cottons	\$65 sa
Zoong Sings	\$11.60 b

Lands, Hotels & Buildings	
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$9.10 n
H.K. Lands	\$60 1/2 b & sa
Shanghai Lands	\$153 b
Humphreys' Estates	\$14.10 b
H.K. Realities	\$7 1/2 b 8 sa
Chinese Estates	\$98 s
H.K. Territorials	
Prince's Building	

Public Utilities	
H.K. Tramways	\$18.10 b 18.35 s
Peak Trams (old)	\$11.80 s
Peak Trams (new)	\$6.05 n
Star Ferries	\$56 1/2 b
China Lights (comb.)	
China Lights (old)	\$12.70 b & sa
China Lights (new)	\$12.60 n
China Lights 1928 Issue	
H.K. Electric (old)	\$61 1/4 b
H.K. Electric (new)	
Macao Electric	\$23 b
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Singapore Pref.	\$20/- b
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Industrials	
China Sugars	95 cts. s
Malabon Sugars	\$27 n
Canton Ice	\$29 b
Cements (comb.)	\$9 1/2 b 9.40 s
Cements (old)	\$7.79 b
Cements (new)	\$1 1/2 b
H.K. Ropes (old)	\$7.05 b 7.20 sa
H.K. Ropes (new)	
United Asbestos	\$5 b

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Watsons	\$11.90 b
Der A. Wings	80 cts. n
Lane Crawford	\$13 n
Mackintoshes	\$18 b
Sinceres	\$12 n
Wm. Powells	\$2 1/4 s

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If you desire to have all those official papers together in handy form, you will find them in the "Overland China Mail," the only Hong Kong weekly news budget which carries pictures and a free picture supplement.

In other directions, there has also been abundant activity, which is recorded faithfully in the "Overland." You can read about the typhoon which came quite close, about the sustained campaign to pervert dock labourers, about a Red attempt to corrupt even men of the British Garrison in Hong Kong, a sorrowful suicide in the Police Force, and trouble among individuals in one of Britain's finest regiments of infantry.

Hankow looms in the public eye in the Old Country at the moment because of a Chinese decision in regard to some British property. Interest is being shown in China again. Furthermore, hostilities between China and Russia have been renewed, so much so that subjects of other countries have lost their lives. The "Overland" will tell you all about what is going on; it will save you the trouble of writing; and it will tell your friends at Home or in other parts of the world all they desire to know. Be sure to obtain your copy—before the issue is taken up and in time for catching the mail.

In the whirl of a trying Hong Kong summer, letters to relatives and friends to other parts of the world frequently fail to be written even by the most ardent correspondents. It is a kindly thought, therefore, to ensure that those away from the Colony, or folks at Home, should have an unfailing supply of Hong Kong and China news every week—by means of a subscription to the "Overland China Mail."

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Sport Columns

HOME FOOTBALL

CARLISLE UNITED DEFEAT SOUTHPORT

DIVISION III. (NORTHERN)

London, Yesterday.
In Division III. (Northern section) of the Football League today, Carlisle United defeated Southport by four goals to nil, at Carlisle.—Reuter.

This is Southport's first defeat. By this victory, Carlisle jump from 13th to 6th position in the League table, which amended to date, is as follows:—

	P.	W.	D.	L.	P.	A.	Pts.
Port Vale	4	4	0	0	13	2	8
Darlington	4	4	0	0	13	5	8
Stockport	4	2	0	11	3	6	6
S. Shields	4	3	0	1	7	4	6
Carlisle	4	2	1	11	6	5	5
Rochdale	4	2	1	0	4	2	5
Accrington	4	2	1	1	9	5	5
York	4	1	2	5	3	5	5
Rotherham	4	2	1	1	8	6	5
Tranmere	4	2	1	1	10	9	5
Southport	4	1	2	1	7	10	4
Crewe	4	2	0	1	6	3	4
Doncaster	4	2	0	2	7	9	4
Wrexham	4	0	3	1	3	4	3
Hartlepool	4	0	2	2	5	11	2
Lincoln	4	0	2	2	2	5	2
N. Brighton	4	1	0	3	3	10	2
Barrow	4	1	0	3	4	14	2
Halifax	4	0	1	3	4	8	1
Wigan	4	0	1	2	2	5	1
Nelson	4	0	1	3	3	13	1
Chesterfield	4	0	0	3	2	7	0

GOLF REFORM

PROPOSAL FOR A BIGGER HOLE

The missing of an 18 in. putt by H. C. Jolly, a golfer of repute, in the final of the One Thousand Guineas Tournament at Leeds, forms the basis of a subtle, but fallacious plea for a revolutionary change in an integral part of golf-putting. It is urged that the hole should be enlarged from the present dimensions of 4 1/2 in. diameter to 5 in. In the case in question, Jolly was three up with three-holes to play, and on the thirty-fourth green he was left with a putt of about the length of an office ruler for a half and the match.

By some means, quite inexplicable, Jolly fumbled the putt. Grasping with both hands the Heaven-sent opportunity, Tunnah, the American, captured four holes in a row, and won the match. That missed putt cost Jolly £250 in cash; a tragic business, perhaps, but not at all exceptional, and certainly not one on which to base a plea for a fundamental alteration of the Rules governing the playing of golf.

Restoring the balance
Let us examine the case which a correspondent in "The Times" attempts to make out for enlarging the hole. He makes the specious statement that, "Even among professionals there must be many who regard putting as a necessary evil, and who would welcome a change which would have the effect of restoring the balance between the long and the short game." Personally, I have never heard a single professional of repute seriously put forward a proposal for an increase in the size of the hole, though there is none who at one time or another has not had cause for wishing that the hole, instead of being the size of a breakfast-cup, had been as big as a wash-tub.

What is meant by "restoring the balance between the long and the short game" is not quite clear. If it is meant that because Mitchell, for example, bludgeoned his way in two shots to a green 530 yards away he ought to be allowed to go on bludgeoning his way into a hole as big as a soup tureen then the case for enlargement collapses. The whole essence of golf is that when a player reaches the green he exchanges the bludgeon for a weapon of rapid-like characteristics, an implement requiring delicacy of touch and finesse in wielding.

Because a player can cover 530 yards in two swipes, it by no means follows that when the green is reached things should be made easy for him. In such circumstances a high premium would be set on mere sniping, which, however pleasing to the multitude and to the men of brawn, is only a small part of the game. To this real golfer there is far more art, and a good deal more satisfaction, in holing a tricky, carry putt, or in laying a putt "stone dead" from the edge of the green, than in crashing a drive 275 yards.

The interests of players
The sponsor of this scheme goes on to say that an alteration in the size of the hole should be made in the interest of all classes of players who play golf for recreation and amusement. Why it should be considered that golf would be a more amusing and more pleasurable game if there were no more doubtful putts to hole I cannot for the life of me make out. I for one would regard the game as so perfectly boring that I would give my lung of chills to the first duffman I met.

Why not, while about it, have a hole a foot in diameter, so that none need bother to putt when within eight or ten yards of the flag. Putting would become a mere formality instead of a distinct and essentially an elusive art. However, one thing is certain, that with a bigger hole golf would be speeded up the estimated saving of time being about twelve minutes per round in an ordinary match, eighteen minutes for a three-ball match, and nearly half an hour for a four-ball match.

A Mixed Blessing
This is one of the advantages claimed for the altered size of the hole, but it is rather in the nature of a mixed blessing, for with the exception of the "speed merchants" who are constantly following "Fore," and generally making themselves a nuisance, no one wants to rush round the course, especially on a broiling summer's day. Further, it is claimed that the larger hole "would reward accurate approaching, a good shot giving the player a reasonable chance of holing in one putt. But, surely, the chance is not denied him in present circumstances.

"It is frequently asserted," adds the author of this project, "that a truly hit ball should be holed every time at two, yards, but how many putts of this length are holed?" Far too many, of course, but the reply to this rather puerile question is that Hagen and Mr. Jones, and a good many of the Americans besides, contrive to hole the putts of two yards; and if they are able to do it there is no reason why other folk, in full possession of their faculties, should not be able to do likewise.

We are also told that the proposed change will make the game a really interesting proposition, as if it were not already intriguing. "However difficult," the stymie, the skilful player will always have a chance of negotiating it." But he already has that chance, and it is only on the rarest occasions that a stymie can be termed hopeless.

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TENNIS

C.A.A. TOURNAMENT AT NORTH POINT

"DOUBLES" RESULTS

The first set of games in the Open Double Championship in the C.A.A. Tournament were played yesterday. The results follow:—
M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo beat W. Hardy and Richardson 6-4, 6-4.
Lim Bong-so and John Lim beat K. L. Ho and Yew Man-kit 6-2, 6-2.

In Tak-cheuk and Chiu Tsun-chiu beat A. V. Gosano and F. J. Remedios 6-3, 7-5.
W. Bray and H. Owen Hughes beat C. Choa and H. Lo 8-6, 6-3.

To-day's Matches

S. A. Rumjahn and H. D. Rumjahn v. W. Bray and H. Owen Hughes.
M. W. Lo and M. K. Lo v. Lu Tak-cheuk and Chiu Tsun-chiu.

T. Honda and H. Yoshida v. S. E. Green and C. Bodiker.
G. W. Sewell and C. E. Holmes v. Ng Kam-chuen and Choi Ping-fan.



Miss Helen Jacobs, Californian tennis star, recently defeated in Wimbledon matches by Helen Wills, is shown with the Seabright Bowl she retains by her defeat of Edith Cross, also a Coast girl, with scores of 6-1, 6-2 in the final round match at Seabright, N. J.

YACHTSMAN'S DEATH

CORONER AND A RUMOUR OF ROBBERY

At an inquest on Major Edwin W. Peach, of Stafford and Aberdovey, whose body was recovered from Pwllheli Harbour after being missing for a week, the coroner returned an open verdict. He said there was no evidence to show how deceased fell into the water from his yacht. As regards the rumour that it was a case of robbery with violence, he failed to find evidence to support it.

Mr. Harry Peach, bank manager at Uthoxtet, deceased's brother, said Major Peach was a retired boat manufacturer, and was cruising between Aberdovey and Pwllheli in a yacht. Several witnesses who saw Major Peach walking towards the harbour on the night he disappeared said he was quite normal and sober.

After the inquest Major Peach's body, in accordance with his wish, was borne out to sea in his own yacht and buried near St. Tudwall's Islands, where another brother was buried a few months ago.

WHEN TO RETIRE

IN TIME TO TAKE UP NEW INTERESTS

COMPULSORY AT 65?

That it should be made compulsory to retire at the age of sixty-five was pressed by Mr. Lewis C. Ord, Vice-Chairman of Messrs. William Beardmore and Company, Ltd., of Glasgow, when speaking at the week-end conference on co-partnership in industry, at Somerville College, Oxford, on July 20, under the auspices of the Industrial Co-partnership Association.

The conference again sat in deck chairs under the shade of the trees in the grounds.
"It is a fact," said Mr. Ord, "that when a man who has been all his life in one steady occupation suddenly retires and drops out of everything, he often just fades out and dies as a result of losing all interest in life."

This is especially the case with men in outdoor occupations. It is essential, therefore, to work up any and every outside occupation in life for these men so that they will have something to live for and occupy their minds when they retire.

"I am in favour of compulsory retiring at the age of sixty-five, that is before they become too old to work up other interests."

Mr. Ord gave as an illustration the case of twelve engine drivers employed by the Canadian Pacific Railway who retired at about the age of seventy. Eleven of these men died within the first year of their retirement. Since then the authorities had been careful to retire the men earlier.

Mr. T. Malcolm Stewart, Chairman of the Associated Portland Cement Manufacturers, Ltd., who presided at the morning session, said that wonderful results could be obtained from employees if they were treated in the right spirit. "Confidence," he said, "begets confidence."

Mr. C. E. Allen, organiser of the Printing Trades Alliance, said that the person who had the least chance of reaching the best positions was the best craftsman, because his employer realised his good qualities as a craftsman and invariably kept him in the workshop.

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What is believed to be the largest guarantee ever given to a British film company has been arranged by Gainsborough Pictures Ltd. with the American concern Tiffany. The two companies are to co-operate in producing the film "Journey's End," and it was stated at the first annual meeting of Gainsborough Pictures that a minimum sum of \$250,000 had been guaranteed for the U.S.A. by Tiffany. It is possible that the film will be made in America.

Mr. Chas. M. Woolf, presiding at the meeting, said that the company has now its own apparatus for the recording of talking pictures.

RAT ATTACKS BABY

FACE BADLY BITTEN—STITCHES NECESSARY

A rat savagely attacked a six-weeks old baby lying helpless in a house in Banks Street, North Sydney, during the absence of the child's mother. The baby was admitted to the Royal North Shore Hospital with a badly bitten face. Several stitches were inserted, but the baby's condition is satisfactory.

HOLE IN ONE

This remarkable feat has been performed again by Mr. C. Bernard Brown who did the Eighth Hole in One at Deepwater Bay on Wednesday. He has been duly presented with a bottle of Johnnie Walker whisky, by the local Agents, Messrs. Calbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd., and is to be congratulated on both accounts.

"FLY & GET WELL"

COMMENT ON GERMAN MEDICAL THEORY

TWO CLASSES OF AILMENT

Flying seems likely to become a fashionable German cure for various ailments.

A writer in the "Medical World" announces that it has already been decided to found an "Institute for high flight treatment." At this establishment young doctors will systematically study the applicability of flying for curative purposes.

It appears that aeroplanes have already been successfully prescribed in two classes of ailment. The writer describes in detail the case of a girl of 14 who was suffering from acute bronchitis, but whose cough was considerably reduced by two flights at a height of about 3,000 ft. The first time she was up in the air for an hour and the second time for four hours.

Psychic disorders, it is said, may be completely cured by long flights at great altitude. Here, too, a specific case is cited.

The patient was a man of 50 who suffered from acute depression, irresolution, and apathy. Many other remedies had been tried in vain, but after a few flights his depression disappeared, and was replaced by "an unusual delight in his work."

The therapeutic agent in such mental cases is believed to be the excitement of the novel experience of ascending in an aeroplane, and the effort of will by the patient which is necessary before he can be induced to undertake it.

WATER RETURN

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on September 1, 1929.—CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS.

	1928	1929
Tytam	21' 5" B	L
Tytam Byewash	15' 8" B	L
Tytam Intermediate	L	L
Tytam Tuk	6' 0" B	12' 7" B
Wong Nei Chung	16' 5" B	4' 1" B
Pokfulum	14' 0" B	1' 9" B

(Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow.")

Storage in million and decimals of gallons

	1928	1929
Tytam	227.15	384.80
Tytam Byewash	5.26	22.37
Tytam Intermediate	195.90	195.90
Tytam Tuk	1,273.00	1,123.75
Wong Nei Chung	12.62	25.19
Pokfulum	36.00	62.14

Total 1,749.93 1,819.15
Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August.

	1928	1929
Consumption	326.52	189.65
Estimated population	424,820	435,140
Consumption per head per day	24.8	14.0

Includes 60 M.G. from Tai-koo Dam.

Full supply in all Rider Main Districts during August 1929, with the exception of the districts West of Garden Road where an Intermittent Supply was given from 1st to 8th August, 1929.

From 1st to 7th inclusive there was a supply of street fountains only, from 6 a.m.—6 p.m.

From 8th to 18th inclusive an Intermittent Supply of 2 hours daily in all Rider Main Districts was operated. Principal Mains closed 7 p.m.—6 a.m.

From 19th to 31st inclusive a 12 hours' supply (6 a.m.—6 p.m.) was given to all Rider Main Districts. Principal Mains closed 6 p.m.—6 a.m.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir	1' 7" B	L
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	L	10' 2" B
Reception Reservoir	0' 1" B	L

Storage in million and decimals of gallons

	1928	1929
Kowloon Reservoir	336.15	352.50
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	116.10	78.44
Reception Reservoir	32.93	33.15

Total 485.18 464.09

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of August.

	1928	1929
Consumption	113.94	117.30
Estimated population	116,540	171,560
Consumption per head per day	22.1	22.0

Full Supply in all districts during August, 1928 and 1929.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

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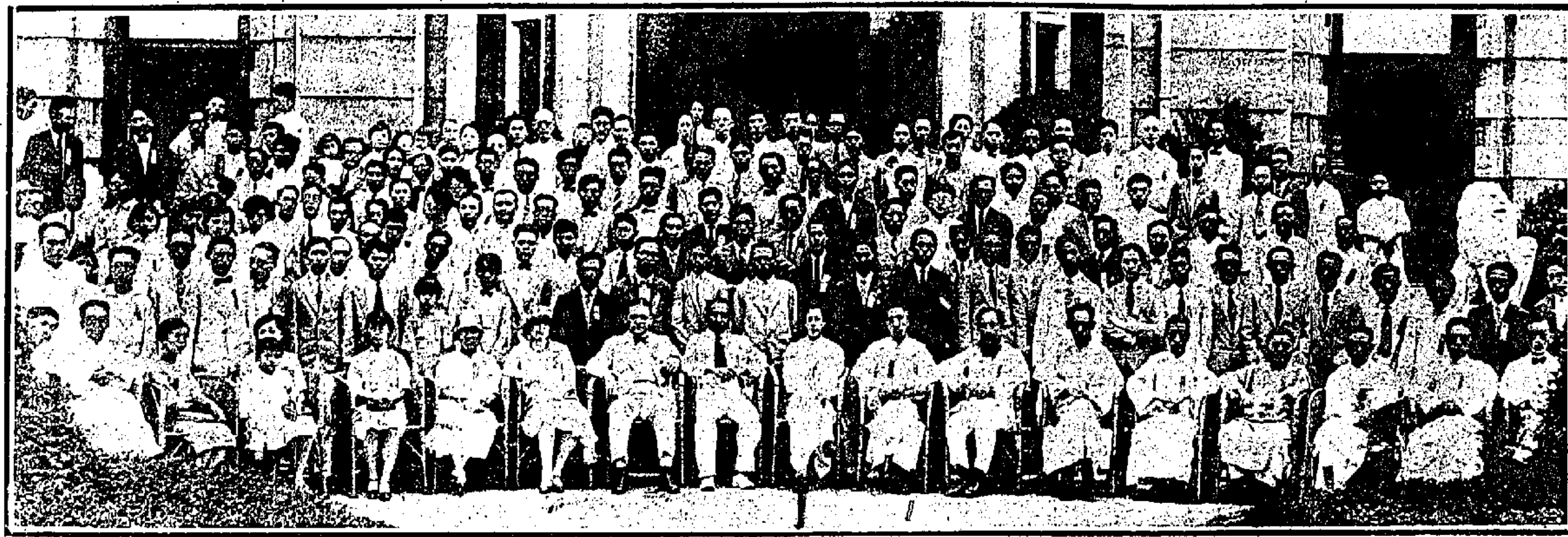
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DENTIST.

World News In Pictures

Chinese Students Going Abroad Given Farewell Reception



Over 200 Chinese students (Tsinghua, Belgian-Boxer-Indemnity Fund, private and officially sent students), who are going abroad to pursue their studies, were entertained at a tea reception, by 20 Chinese educational organisations headed by the World's Chinese Students' Federation. The brilliant affair took place at the Majestic Hotel, Shanghai, and was attended by more than 300 persons, including representatives from the American Consulate-General (Mr. J. B. Sawyer), and Chinese official and educational organs. Mr. Chen Teh-chun, Chief of the Bureau of Education, presided and delivered a short but precise address. Mayor Chang Chun, Dr. M. Y. Tsu, Mr. Sawyer and local college professors also gave valuable addresses.—(Ah Fong).

Sullen Convicts Forced into Obedience



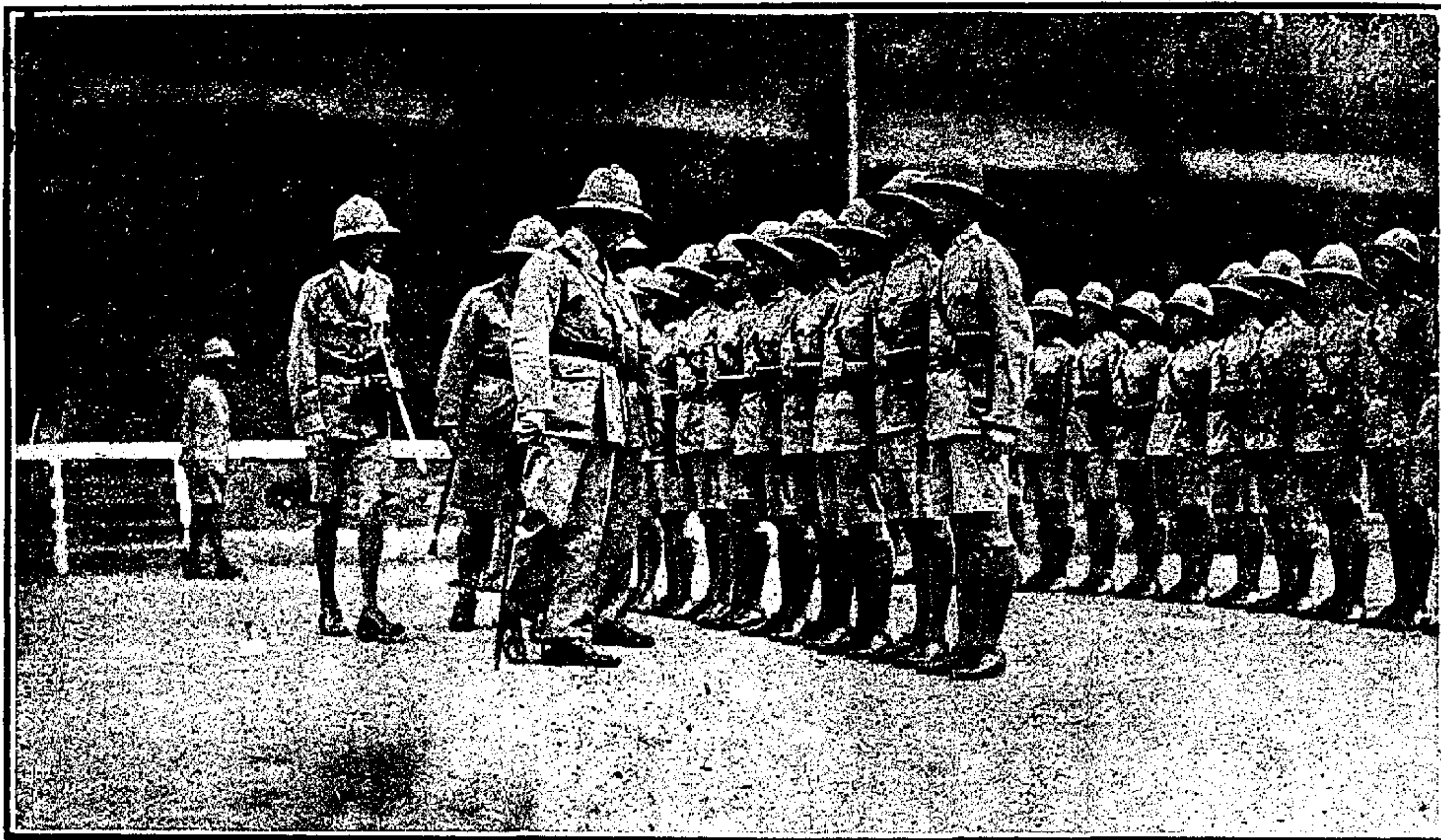
Amidst the ruins of Auburn prison, of which the woodworking shop is shown above, a snarling remnant of desperate men are being brought under control by the drastic measure of starvation. Warden Jennings, who allowed the prisoners to have much to say in running the prison, is more hurt by their renunciation of himself than the fact that they revolted. Eugene Fesce, left, prison guard, was shot four times during the uprising, and Captain P. P. Morrisey, right, of the Auburn fire department, although wounded, continued the battle against the flames until he collapsed and was rescued with difficulty.

Opera's "Ideal Couple" Separate



Seeing Mary Lewis and her husband, Michael Bohnen, as they appear above shortly after their marriage, who would think they would be telling their troubles to the judge. The couple have always been hailed as the ideal example of stage marriage by their friends. It seems now as though the monster "Professional Jealousy" is too much for Mary. Michael has been grabbing all the notices, you see. She has filed suit for separate maintenance in a Los Angeles court.

Chinese Specials



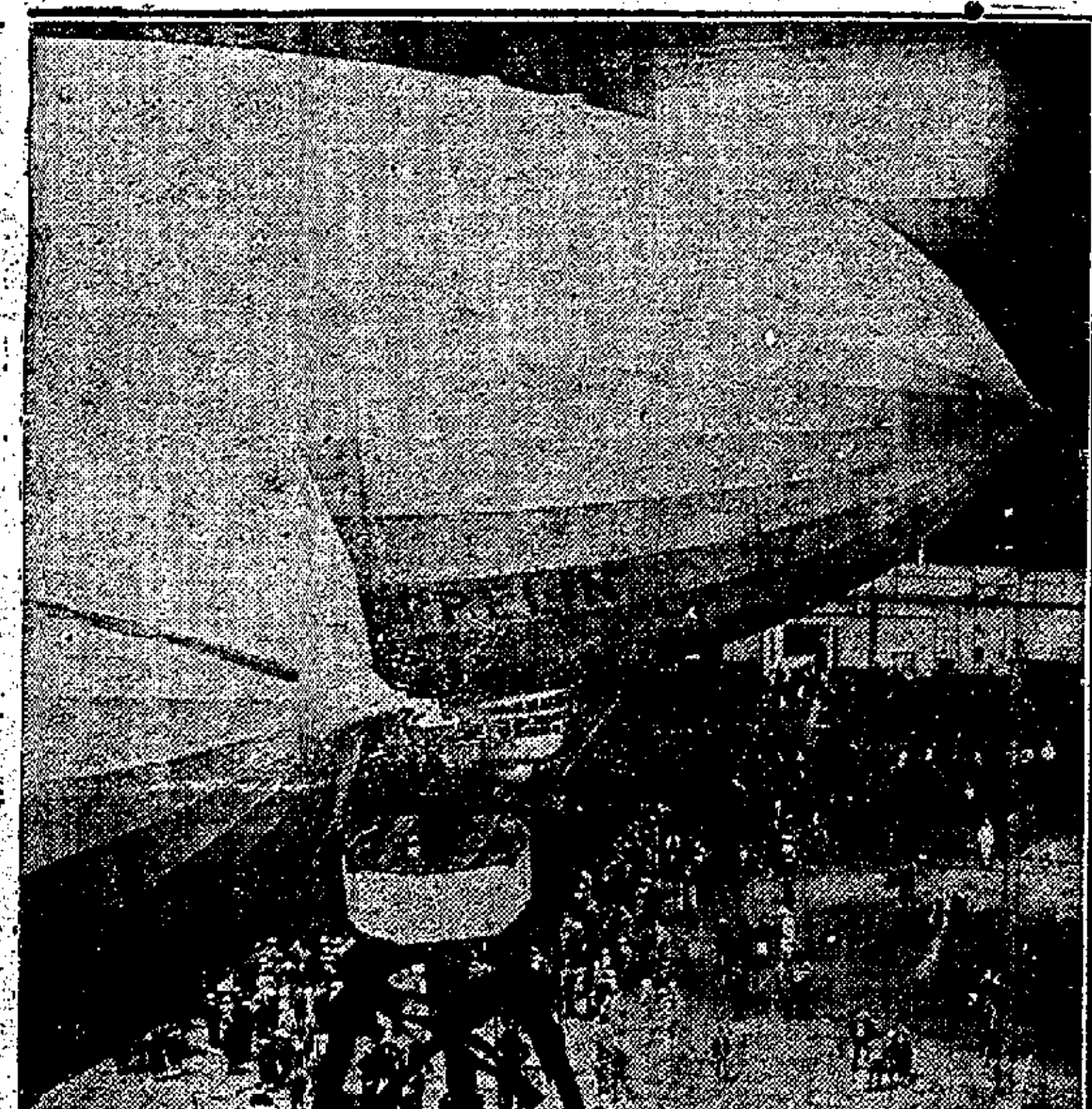
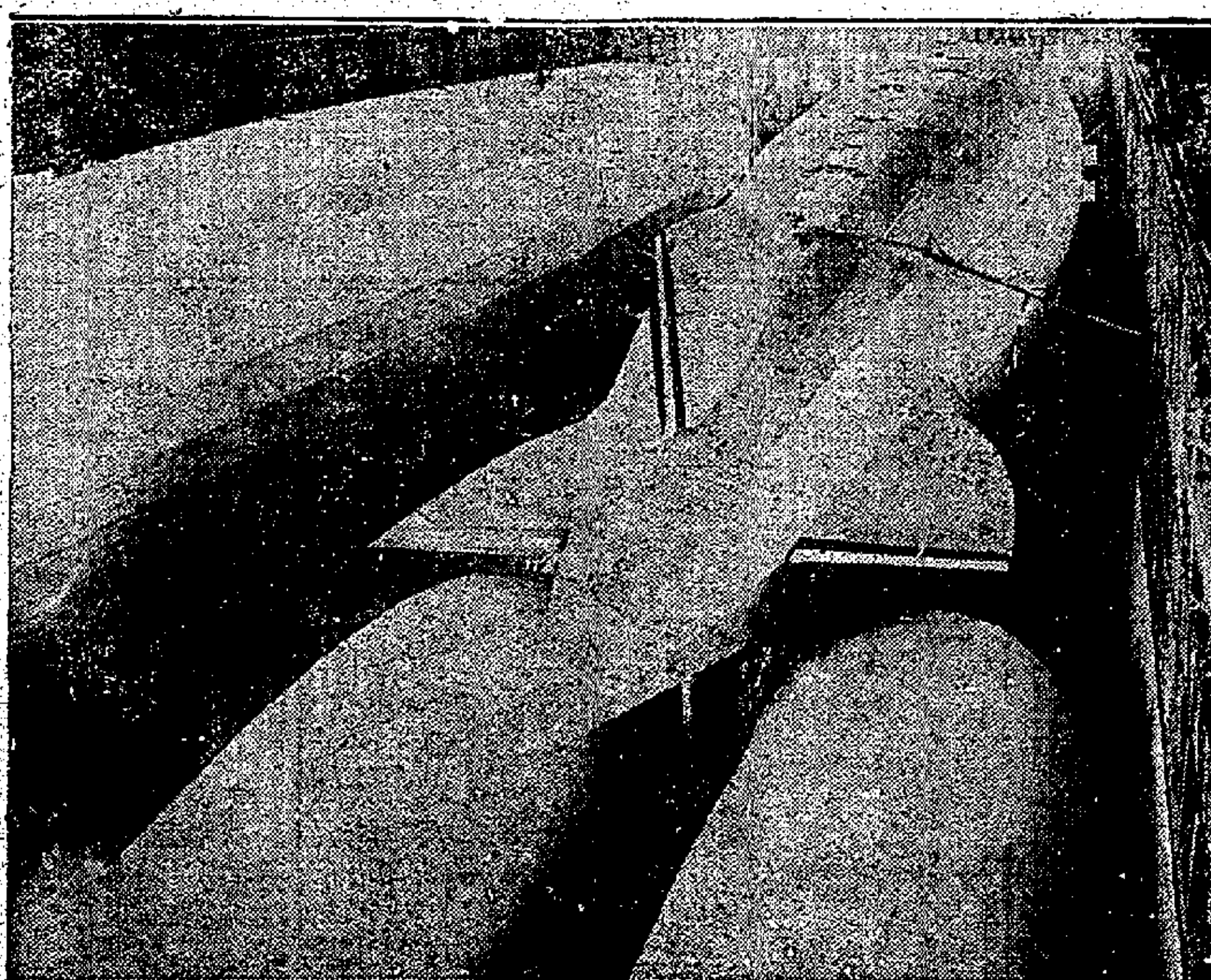
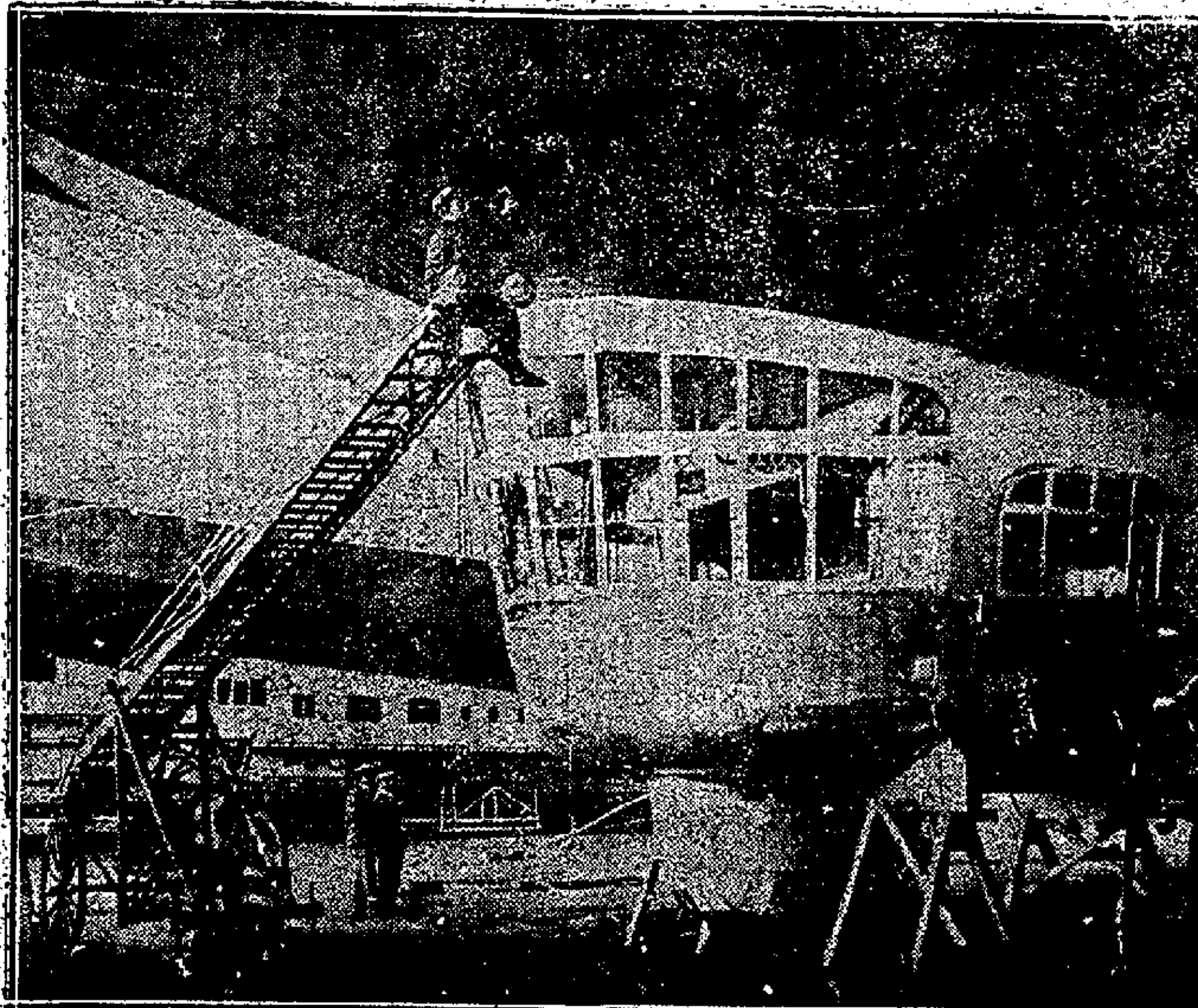
The first parade of the newly recruited Chinese "Specials" of the Shanghai Municipal Police was held at the Gordon Road Station, when Capt. E. M. J. Martin, Commissioner of Police, inspected the new police unit, composed of 40 men under Inspector C. C. Dao. Like foreign "Specials," this new unit, known as the 10th Division (Chinese Section), is in command of Asst. Commissioner R. G. MacDonald.—(Ah Fong).

Will Brave the Falls



With complete self-assurance, Mrs. Susan D. Grove, of Hagerstown, Md., 63-year-old mother of five children, announces that she plans to take a trip over Niagara Falls in a rubber ball. She further adds that she isn't one bit afraid of her coming venture, and anticipates a successful journey.

Queen Of The Air Flies Again



Just a touch of paint here and there on the "Graf Zeppelin" lying in the Navy hangar at Lakehurst, N.J., beside the Los Angeles, and the great ship was ready to fly again. Left shows workmen busy in the huge envelope of the ship. The centre shows the great Zep, the Graf at left, lying in the hangar while right is a close-up of their noses showing the family likeness.

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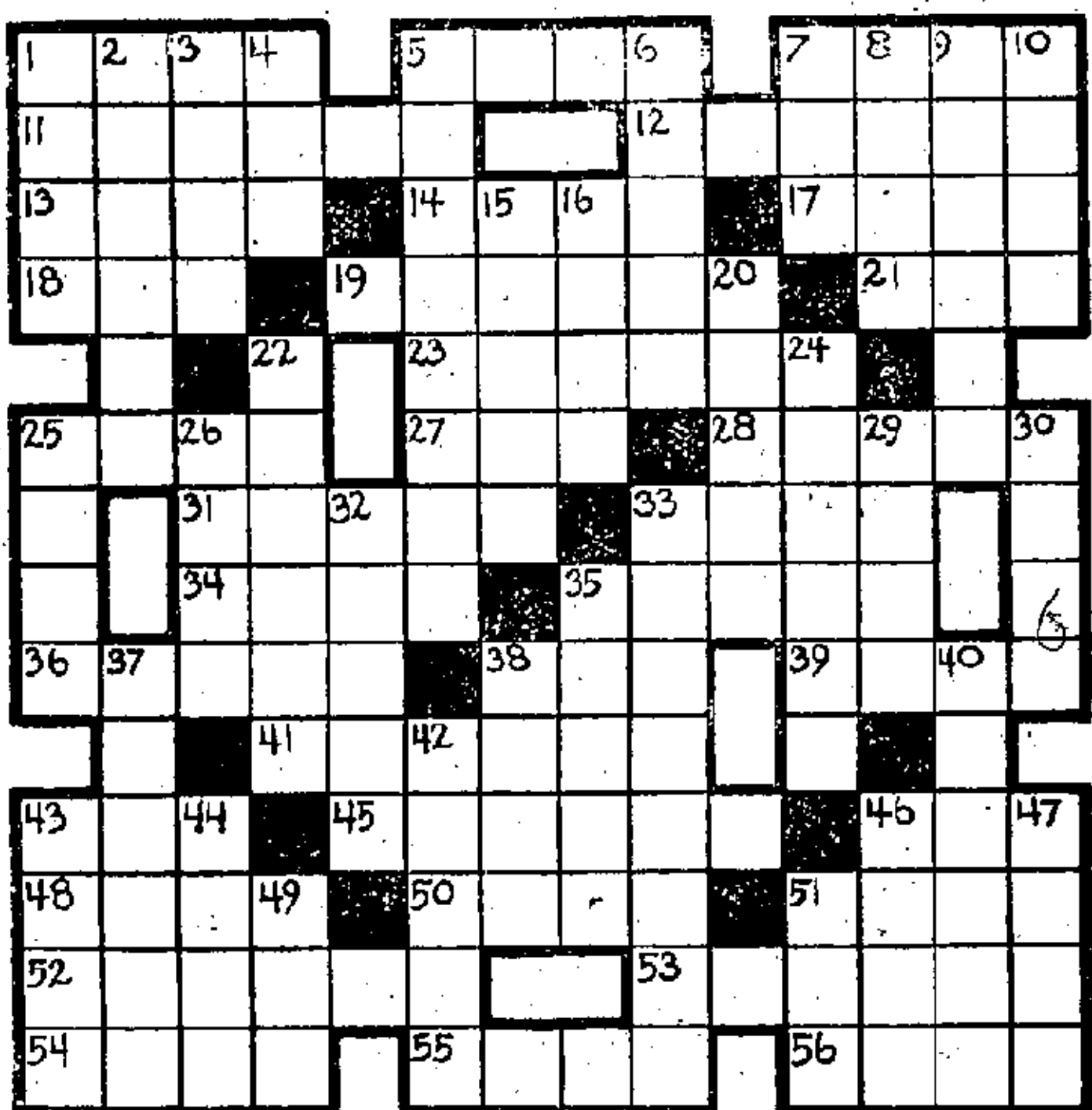
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, glow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Lie in warmth
- 5-Spring
- 7-Strike with open hand
- 11-Murmur
- 12-Draw into the lungs
- 13-Ireland (poet)
- 14-Urn-like vessel
- 17-Terminals
- 18-Nobles
- 19-Threat
- 21-Traveling outfit
- 23-Fuse
- 25-One of the corners of a wall
- 27-Ship's record
- 28-Sounds
- 31-Post of childhood
- 33-Spanish coin
- 34-Eager
- 35-Temples
- 36-Ascended
- 38-Vehicle
- 39-Peace
- 41-Envy
- 43-Ennare
- 45-Black bird (pl.)

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 46-Rotating piece for converting rotary into reciprocating motion
- 48-Water falling from clouds
- 50-Rail
- 51-Unadulterated
- 52-Clothing
- 53-Unwilling
- 54-Silly look
- 55-Double
- 56-Necessity

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 20-Consumed
- 22-Twisting link in a chain
- 24-Those who are defeated
- 25-Burn partially
- 26-Periods of time
- 29-Explore in a prying manner
- 30-Finely divided
- 32-Regular passenger ship
- 33-Pertaining to father and mother
- 35-Destiny
- 37-Produced by and realizing an idea
- 38-Cavern
- 40-Thinly scattered
- 42-Looked earnestly
- 43-Outer garment
- 44-Inflict injury with the teeth
- 46-Heal
- 47-Reward
- 49-Pinch
- 51-Write

SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them, and they in turn to still others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

HONG KONG HEIGHTS

For the information of visitors the following list of some of the highest points on the Island and Mainland is published:-

Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
Peak Hotel	1806
Taikoo Sanatorium	1000
Mt. Davis	877
Bowen Road (Hillside)	297
Mainland.	Feet.
Taimoshaan	3124
Kowloon Peak	1971

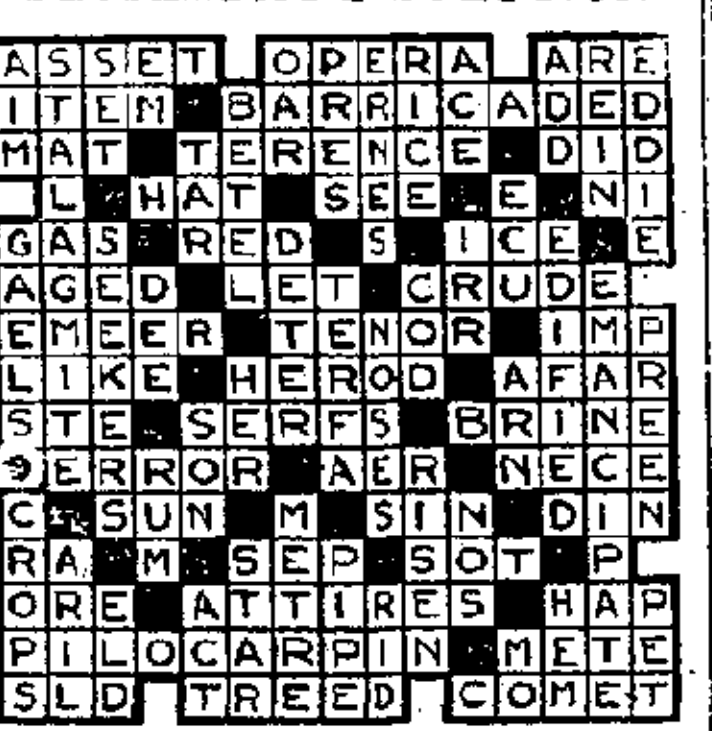
LIGHTS OFF

Title: Louise Fazenda in "Faro Nell, or Ole California."

There unrolled one of the doggonest, bang-up travesties spotted on the silver sheet at any time. Louise, garbed in hectic Western attire and sporting the dullest line-o-gab extant or extinct, gave a whoopee performance. "Faro Nell" is a Western travesty. Several years ago it was produced at the Writers' Club with Maude Fulton in the name part and Roy Stewart (now "Trader Horn"-ing) the lover.

Al figured it high time travesties reached the screen. He sold the Christies on the idea. Re-wrote the skit and produced it. More such hilarity stirrers will follow with Louise Fazenda. Louise has been recognised as a comedienne de lux for years. Never, however, has she been given a real opportunity to flash clever histrionics. She's a honey as "Faro Nell." Even Bill Hart will get a chuckle out of her doing a "take-off" on him when she talks to her equine pal. Louise's next travesty may have to do with "Rain" in the Jeanne Eagels manner.

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION



Pauline Fredericks

Behind the Scenes in Hollywood

By DOROTHY HEIZOG

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Hollywood is exactly like a faucet that is turned on. It drips scenic emotions at a studio empty umph hours daily or nightly. But the faucet's still on, so it keeps dripping. If it's all dripped out somebody turns on another faucet.

Which paragraphs us to Sharon Lynn and Clem Clark. Sharon is a girl who dances and sings and acts for Mr. Fox. Sharon went-a-partying to the Hal Roach house three weeks ago. There she met Mr. Clark. Mr. Clark hails from Shreveport, La. He has an awful lot of money, but folks still say he's a nice boy. About twenty-nine, to be accurate. He resembles Charlie Farrell, but he isn't quite as tall.



Sharon Lynn

Clem figured the titian-haired Sharon a hoop-de-da. He rushed her. Ergo, they were declared engaged. And it isn't so 'atall. Sharon was heard to opine they'd never reach the ring stage, nor would they advance to the altar crawl. But Clem is a persistent cuss. He takes Sharon sky-riding in his \$20,000 airplane. His Man-Fridays her you and hither. He has even written to his mother to come Hollywoodwards for good.

And, what's more, a friend eased him into the Pathe studio only to other day and introduced him to one of the big shots. Said b. s. dated him for a screen test. They do be sayin' that Clem Clark photographed so good Pathe intends signing him up.

Helen Hayes

From excellent authority this flick bureau is given to understand that Helen Hayes, Broadway star, plans to make at least one picture in the autumn.



Miss Hayes came to the Coast some weeks ago to play a limited engagement in her current hit, "Coquette." Her husband, Charlie McArthur, former newspaper man and co-writer of "Broadway," is in Hollywood penning stories for RKO.

It is whispered that both M.G.M. and Famous Players are flirting with Miss Hayes. She will make no definite plans, however, until a certain expected event in her family.

Some months ago, Harry Richman, of Broadway stage and night club renown, emoted through a screen test for United Artists. It was decided that Harry confer with the proper authority and have his nose fixed so as to enhance his profile. Mr. Richman is now in Hollywood. He has had another screen test. An executive on the U. A. lot



Marilyn Miller

halted a chap who saw the test and asked:

"How is he?"

The chap who had seen, reported: "He's still Harry Richman!"

"Sally"

Over on the First National lot is a lad named John Francis Dillon to whom has been entrusted a million and a half dollars. He will spend this million and a half in eight or ten weeks. The results of his efforts are expected to net the company a goodly return.

Jack is megaphoning Marilyn Miller in "Sally." Marilyn receives a paltry \$150,000 for leaning her electric light talents to this all-technicolor production. She didn't do so worse in it when she played under the Ziegfeld banner to New Yorkers some years ago. But a million and a half is a hummy sum to sink into a picture. But in spite of this and the heat, Jack 'pears to be cheery as ever.

Incidentally, banked above and around the garden set now being shot for "Sally" are approximately five hundred incandescent lights. Baby, when they start to burn no one has to tell you they're on. They generate a heat that shames the steam room of a Turkish bath. Calculate even old boy Satan jumps up and down from raging jealousy. At least he would if he dropped in to check his furnace apparatus with modern improvements.

Screenalities—The Writers' Club chucked an evening's sketch entertainment. Glimpes in the audience were Victor McLaglin, Theda Bara, Fannie Brice, Billy Ross, Giovanni Martino, Beulah Livingstone, Joseph Jackson, Gladys Unger, Zoe Akins, J. Stuart Blackton, et al.... Dorothy Burgess, George Marion and Walter Byron appeared in a sketch by Pauline Forney and Al Farez yclept "When Buddha Laughs." Players and authors received a big hand.... John Bowers and his wife, Marguerite De La Motte, shares honours in "The Black Butterfly," a Harlequin skit by J. Stuart Blackton's 19-year-old daughter Gloria. John introduced Miss Blackton from the stage. She is almost six foot and rather plumpish. She recently returned from boarding school where she wrote a novel and

Miss Blackton is enthusiastic over "The Butterfly" which is a three-act play... and — that's all.

Ramblings

To Famous Players and onto "Behind the Makeup" set. Bob Milton and Dorothy Arzner co-directing. Hal Skelly, William Powell and Fay Wray features. Powell had just died—for the sake of the plot. Miss Wray wore black and a



Fay Wray

russet expression. Mr. Skelly was up an emotional tree.

A nice lad yelled: "Giv'er the A C." She, whoever she was, got what she wanted. He then called: "We're sunk," which was sporting-honest of him, but as it turned out he intended the remark technically. Silence while a talky was being made. The actors commenced to act. I stepped back a little and the heel of my Holland shoe argued with a light. The noise made me look for the nearest exit. A prop man, in his disgust, popped a rubber band. Because of jealousy, a sunlight are did a take-off on Lon Chaney and tat-tatted away a la a machine gun.

The scene came to an abrupt end. I expected fireworks. There was none. The scene began again, and ended happily.

"The Saturday Kid"

And so to Clara Bow's "The Saturday Kid" set. Clara was in bed. So was Jean Arthur. An alarm clock routed 'em out. Director Eddie Sutherland cried: "Cut. Okeh." Cameraman Harry Fishbeck supervised the moving of his bungalow-boxed camera further back, preparatory to shooting a semi-long shot of the girl's waking to another yeasted dawn.

I had been warned not to question Clara about her fiancé, Harry Richman. She's fed up on such questions, it seems. With awesome restraint, I resisted dashing onto the set and asking her if it was true she didn't want to answer questions about Mr. Richman. By this time it was noon. Clara was surrounded by a fortress of lights, props, and protectors. I craved sustenance in order to continue this enervating work of garnering a colyum. And so, vastly pleased with such a splendid morning's effort, out into the broiling, open spaces of Hollywood to ponder if there were any more Daddy Brownings in the world and why "God Gave Me Twenty Cents" only.

Screenalities: James Hall corralled himself a nifty case of ptomaine poison and balked at posing for heroic photographs that day.... Artie Jacobson, assistant director, espied talking with Doris Hill in the Famous Players lobby hall. Artie wished the news to be spread. He really wanted to see if I could spell his name correctly. He's pretty much of a meany that way.... Robert Armstrong is a mileage widower. Um. His wife, Jeanne Kent, has gone to Oakland to emote in a play yclept "This Thing Called Love".... Ken Maynard shopping for a cruiser. He figures his speed boat is powerful lonely.... Mary Eaton has leased the Doug Fairbanks, Jr.'s home in Bev. Hills. One must have a home to enjoy birthday sunbaths, though with airplanes and a new blimp flying so low these days not even a garden is insured as to privacy.... Carmel Myers and her lawyer husband, Ralph Bloom, deliberately invited scandal into their lives when they lunched together at Yvonne's and held hands during two courses.... And—that's all.

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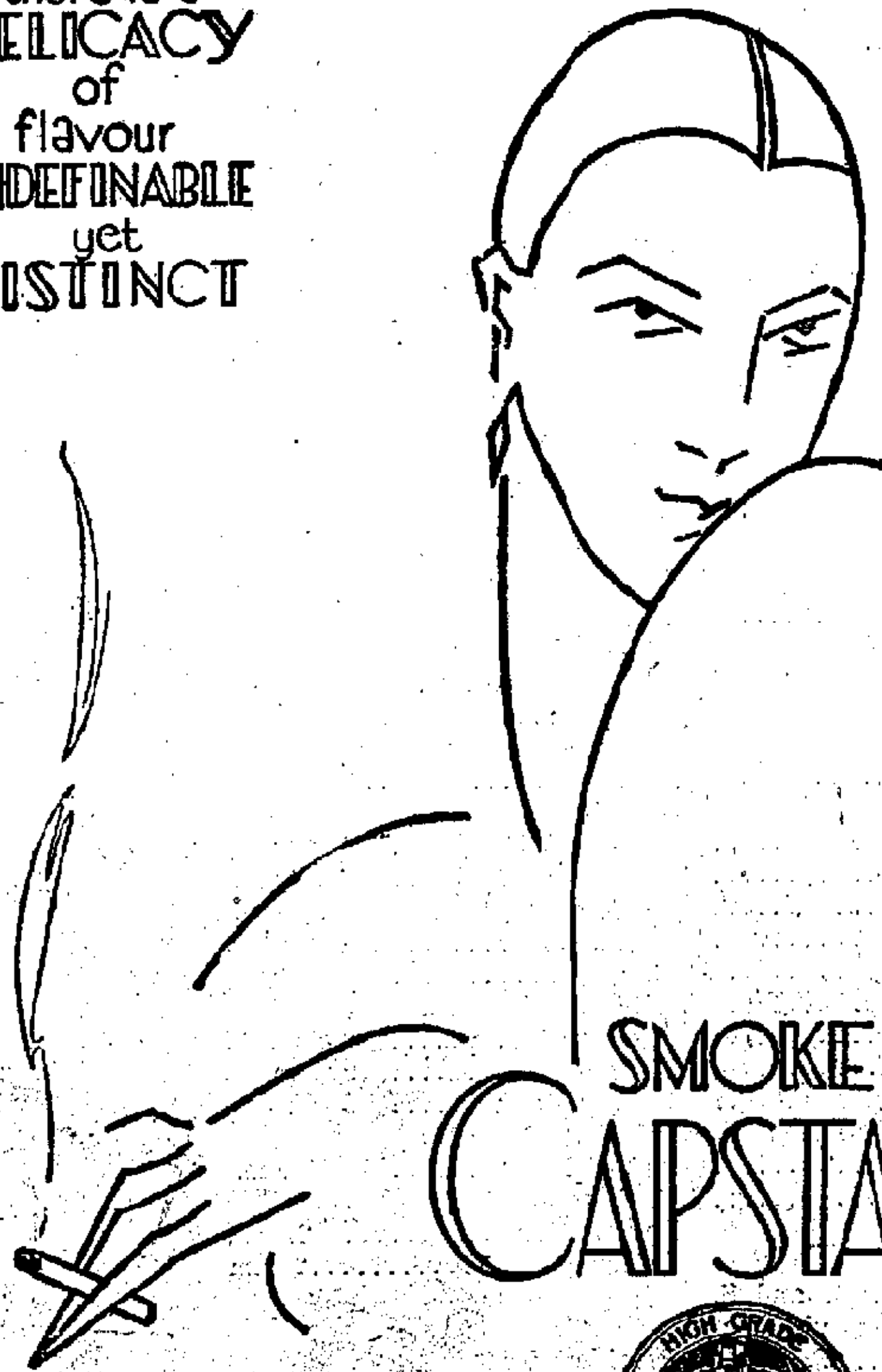
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Amsterdam, Yesterday.
A fortnightly air mail service with the Dutch East Indies was inaugurated to-day, when a triple-engine Fokker plane left for Budapest on the first stage.

No Landing Permits

Amsterdam, Later.
The Ministry of Communications states in reference to the inauguration of a regular air mail service with the Dutch East Indies, that it has been impossible so far to get a general permit for landings en route, but they only consent to trial flights until January 1.

The negotiations are proceeding.

—Reuter.

CANTON SALARIES

FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF THE PROVINCE

THE ADJUSTMENT

Canton, Yesterday.
Mr. Sun Hi-men, Chief Secretary of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, has issued a notice to all government offices and organs to the effect that, after recalling the measures taken by the Kwangtung Government for the payment of salaries in 80 per cent. silver and 40 per cent. notes and the reduction of 20 per cent. of all the salaries of Government employees, the Government has been able to re-adjust the financial affairs of the Province and the Central Bank to circulate all its notes at par, so that the regulation for the payment of 80 per cent. in silver and 40 per cent. in notes was abolished on August 25. As regards the 20 per cent. deduction of salaries, which came into effect since May last, the notice provides that, commencing from this month, all Government employees are to be paid in full and in cash, the practice of supplementing treasury bonds in lieu of cash to be temporarily suspended.

—Canton News Agency.

BIG UNDERTAKING

THREE YEARS TO COMPLETE NEW BRIDGE

Canton, Yesterday.
The construction of a steel bridge from Canton to Honan Island across the Pearl River, in order to relieve the populated sections of the city, has for a long time occupied the thoughts of the Municipal authorities. Plans and particulars of the proposed bridge have already been prepared, but nothing definite has been heard of this proposal.

Recently interviewed, Mr. Ching Tunk-ku, the head of the Public Works Department, is reported to have stated that the cost of construction of the bridge is estimated at about \$3,000,000, the work requiring three years to complete, and that tenders will soon be called for.

In the meantime engineers and workmen have been despatched to blast the submerged rocks in the river over which the bridge will span. This blasting will take at least about a month, and the actual work on the bridge will start about three months later.

—Canton News Agency.

A WILD GOOSE CHASE

INDIAN SOLDIERS & CHINESE WOMAN

ALLEGED KIDNAPPING

The Police were sent on a wild goose chase last night following a report made by a Chinese woman that a female companion of hers had been kidnapped by three Indian soldiers in Canton road, near Austin Road.

After investigating the matter until a late hour last night, the Police were able to gather the full facts of the case. It appeared that two Chinese women, Yeung Yung (46) and Ah Kiu (36) were walking along Canton Road, where they were accosted by three Indian soldiers. After conversing for a few minutes, the younger woman left in company with the Indians. Her companion then returned home. After waiting for an hour or so the older woman made a report to the Teimshatui Police Station saying that the other had been kidnapped.

The "missing" woman returned home after the Police had unsuccessfully searched high and low for her.

DEGREES

Temperature, 10 a.m., to-day	78
Temperature, 4 p.m., yesterday	82
Humidity, 10 a.m., to-day	78
Humidity, 4 p.m., yesterday	65

PUBLIC SECURITY

POST ON NOW NORMAL IN PALESTINE

CONCENTRATION OF TROOPS

Jerusalem, Yesterday.
A communiqué states that the general improvement in public security has facilitated the continuance of a concentration of troops, and enabled military forces to be released for service at Jaffa and Haifa, hence naval landing parties from H.M.S. "Sussex" and "Bham" will re-embark and be ready to sail when the situation warrants.

—Reuter.

ELECTION DAY

AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED

ROLLS ACTIVE SOON

Canberra, Yesterday.
The general election has been fixed for October 19, or possibly October 12.

—Reuter.

[The Government was defeated by 35 votes to 34 on the Hughes amendment at the Committee stage of the Arbitration Bill. The Bill had passed the House of Representatives, after a fierce battle.]

RUSSIANS REPULSED

FURTHER DEFEAT OF SOVIET TROOPS

MAGISTRATE CAPTURED

Mukden, Yesterday.
An official communiqué states that fighting was resumed in Pogranichnaya on the morning of September 12, and the Russians were repulsed.

A Chinese magistrate near Taiheho has been captured by Russians.

—Reuter.

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